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The CineHouse film crew, including main cameraman Masayuki Kawada and his assistant Satoru Hasegawa, adjust the camera angle during Monday's scene filming at Camp Zama. The television movie is the story of the 2002 World Cup Korea/Japan.

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# ws Tracker ... What's new with old news

## States

Detained professor: A Georgia Tech professor detained by Chi-nese authorities who accused him of spying said Monday that China's actions were "punishment for his nonco-

operation Fei-Ling Wang said his arrest in July was an example of "persecution by suspicion" but would not elaborate. He said at some point he will "tell the world what really hap pened, but right now, I'd just say that the charges are totally fabricated.'

Wang, an American citizen, was detained in China for two weeks and released Aug. 8, when he returned to the United States

Rudolph verdict: The Alabama Supreme Court upheld a lower court's ruling that accused serial bomber Eric Robert Rudolph must pay \$115 million to a nurse injured in a 1998 blast at a Birmingham abortion clinic.

Rudolph had asked the Supreme Court to overturn the ruling of Jefferson County Circuit Judge Helen Shores Lee, claiming he wasn't properly served with the lawsuit filed in 2000 by nurse Emily Lyons and her husband, Jeff

Peterson case: On audio tapes secretly recorded by Amber Frey, Scott Peterson en-dures harsh questioning from his one-time mistress and denies any involvement in his wife's disappearance

Judge Alfred A. Delucchi said last week that the tapes would continue to be used through Tuesday morning. Defense attor-neys said they expected to begin their cross-examination of Frey by Tuesday

State secession effort: Killington officials are encouraging a number of Vermont communities to join them in an effort to secede from the state and join New Hamnshire

If enough communities look at secession and believe it's important enough to take to voters, then Vermont may take the issue more seriously, Killington Town Manager David Lewis told Ludlow officials Monday.

Lewis and two selectmen were also plan ning to meet with officials in Manchester and Dorset. Lewis said he hoped to be invited to Plymouth and other communities in the region as well

Asian bird flu: The National Institutes of Health awarded Chiron Corporation a contract to develop up to 40,000 doses of vaccine against H9N2 avian influenza, a type of bird flu that is less lethal but more widespread than the strain that killed 27 this year in Asia.

Chiron will manufacture the H9N2 vaccine in Siena, Italy, using an inactivated strain of the virus provided by the Centers

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Spanish troops in Afghanistan: A group of Spanish soldiers loke before boarding a transport airplane at an air base in Getafe, Spain, on Tuesday. Seventy Spanish army and air force soldiers flew to Afghanistan as part of the first contingent of a Spanish government pledge to temporarily boost its troops there to more than 1.000.

Disease Control. The Emeryville, Calif.-based company will manufacture up to 40.000 doses of the vaccine.

## World

Fischer's engagement: Former chess champion Bobby Fischer's announcement that he is engaged to a Japanese woman could win him sympathy among Japanese officials and help him avoid deportation to the United States, his fiancee and one of his supporters said Tuesday.

Fischer, wanted in the United States for allegedly violating international sanctions on former Yugoslavia, was detained in Japan last month when he tried to travel on an invalid American passport.

The chess legend's lawyer, Masako Suzu-ki, announced the marriage plan on Monday as she pressed the U.S. State Department to send a consular officer to Fischer's detention center outside of Tokyo so he could renounce his U.S. citizenship.

Bali bombings: The mastermind of the 2002 Bali bombings threatened Tuesday to kill U.S. President George W. Bush and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon if he ever gets out of jail, where he is waiting to be executed for his role in the attacks that killed 202 peo-

Imam Samudra made the comments as six militants jailed over the nightclub bombings had their sentences cut by two months in tra-ditional pardons to mark independence day, authorities said.

# Samudra's sentence was not affected.

# War on terrorism

**Guantanamo review panels:** A U.S. military review panel on Monday heard the case of a Guantanamo prisoner accused of training with a militant Islamic group, officials

The man, whose name and nationality were not released, has been held at the U.S. base in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, for about two years, said military spokeswoman, Navy Cmdr Beci Brenton

The man did not call any witnesses. Details of the detainee's testimony weren't avail-able, nor was the recommendation of the three-member tribunal. There were no journalists present

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# Troops have mixed take on realignment

BY JOSEPH GIORDONO Stars and Strines

YONGSAN GARRISON, South Korea — With scant details avail-able on how Pacific bases will be affected, servicemembers indicated they had little idea Tuesday what to make of President Bush's plans to return up to 70,000 overseas servicemembers and 100 000 civilians to the United States over the next

While the bulk of the reductions and base closures would take place in Europe, Pentagon officials said. there are ongoing "negotiations on shifting forces in the Pacific. But at a background briefing by Pentagon and State Department of ficials after Bush's speech Mon-

day, no new details were given. Any changes in numbers "will not be dramatic in Asia." said a senior defense official who briefed Pentagon reporters on condition of anonymity.

Some troops at Misawa Air Base in northern Japan, for instance, had yet to hear of the restructuring

But some such as Staff Sot. Beneria Hill, a dental technician with the 35th Dental Squadron, thought that what she's heard of the presi-dent's intentions would bring much-needed relief to overworked troops based in the United States.

With the ops tempo the way it is, they're working so hard over there that they're burning out our people," she said. "Here, we're not overmanned, but we're comfortable. I think it will afford people in the States more of an opportunity to take leave, go on [temporary duty], without their supervisor say ing you can't go because the shop is too minimally manned."

Another Misawa senior airman, 35th Civil Engineer Squadron structural engineer Tobin Lindsey, at first said the proposed troop withdrawal in Europe and Asia wouldn't affect him.

Then Lindsey got to thinking: His Misawa tour is up in May and he wants to go to England next. "I want to stay overseas," he said, wondering if perhaps it will be

# Pacific nations expect little change

BY MARI YAMAGUCHI

TOKYO - American allies Japan and Australia embraced a new U.S. plan to restructure its forces abroad, while Russia said it was not concerned by the proposal. But Germany, home to 70,000 U.S. soldiers, said any withdrawal from the former Cold War frontier may hurt its economy

The plan, announced Monday by President Bush, centers on U.S. forces based in Europe and was not expected to lead to major changes in American troops in Asia.

The United States bases some 50,000 troops in Japan and another 37,000 in South Korea, where they counter North Korea's large military.

"Japan welcomes the review of the U.S. military framework that will better suit the global security environment and further contribute to peace and stability," the Japanese Foreign Ministry said in a

seem popular.

the troops in Korea. Between the

one-year tours and the old bases

and all that, I think having fewer people here is better," said Staff

William Banks of 8th Army.

Banks and his friends, sitting in

an Itaewon coffeehouse Tuesday.

agreed that returning some South

Korea-based troops to the United States would make sense.

"I mean, if you've got the Air Force here and the Navy around, you don't really have to have as

many soldiers. If you're talking

about keeping North Korea honest

they're more scared of smart bombs and stealth fighters than in-

fantry guys," said Sgt. Chris Smith, also of 8th Army.

also of 8th Army.

At the same time, they said, some soldiers who joined the Army specifically so that they could go on overseas tours might

become disappointed. On Okinawa, civilian workers and family members had mixed re-

tougher to do so if Bush's plan moves forward.

Thinking some more, Lindsey said, "I don't see why they would

need that many [troops] in the

States. If something happens over-seas, they can get us there a lot fast-

er than they can from the States.

Especially since they spent all the

money sending everyone overseas already. It seems like kind of a

In South Korea, U.S. officials al-

ready publicly have acknowledged

a proposal to remove 12,500 of the

roughly 33,000 servicemembers here, with 3,600 2nd Infantry Divi-sion troops already deployed to

Iraq.
While the initial U.S. proposal

called for that being completed by

the end of next year, South Korean officials Tuesday reiterated their

desire to see the reductions de-

layed by one to two years. The two sides are to negotiate the issue

Aug. 19 at the next round of Future

forts to consolidate and relocate

of the Alliance Talks. Among soldiers, the reduction plan — coupled with ongoing ef-

Japanese officials believe the latest decision will bring no major changes to U.S. forces in Japan, in-

cluding the number of troops, a Defense Agency official said on a condition of anonymity. In South Korea, where Washington earlier dis-closed plans to cut a third of its forces, officials said Monday's announcement held no surprises. "I don't think there will be big changes for us,

South Korean Foreign Minister Ban Ki-moon told

Australia said the troop redeployment would bet ter enable Washington to deal with terrorism and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

"While the number of U.S. forces deployed around the world may reduce, the review is de

signed to develop a force that is better able to re-spond to a wider range of contingencies," said Defense Minister Robert Hill.

Australia and the Unites States are developing joint military training facilities in Australia and are cooperating in the controversial U.S. missile defense shield program.

bases to areas south of Seoul in the Air Force, said she under-

stood the necessity of overseas de-"I'm all for moving out a third of ployments but didn't necessarily

like them. "My husband is active-duty Air Force, and I don't like it when he deploys, but on the other hand we

need military overseas in the need of a disaster or crisis." she said. Yoshiki Genka, a civilian postal worker on Camp Foster, wondered

about job security if troops were pulled from Okinawa.

"If they leave Japan, many of us would lose our jobs," he said. In South Korea, that scenario already is playing out. Because of consolidation plans with 2nd ID bases north of Seoul, military offi-cials laid off some 800 South Korean base employees last month. While those employees will be eligi ble for placement on other bases. the bulk likely will be forced into retirement

Japanese government officials had little to say about Bush's speech but acknowledged discussions have been under way.

'Unofficial talks have been long going on between the governments

at different levels," said a spokes-man for the Ministry of Foreign Af-fairs' International Press Division in Tokyo on Tuesday.

He would not comment on unattributed reports in the Japanese press that the talks involve moving some Marine units from Okinawa to mainland Japan — primarily an artillery unit barred from having live-fire evercises on Okinawa

We are not in a position to disclose details of the discussions because there is another party in-volved," he said. "Having said that, for Japan, it is important that the deterrence power is effectively maintained

"At the same time, the government will give consideration to the burden of the local communities hosting the military facilities in cluding Okinawa," he said. "We will pursue further consultation with the United States in line with this policy."

In comments to reporters Monday on a flight from Russia, De-fense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said local perceptions would be one of the driving factors in determining realignment.

"Other countries will have alter-natives, and we're flexible. We want our forces where they're wanted," he said, according to a Pentagon transcript. "We want our forces where we have the right kinds of legal arrangements and SOFAs ... our status of forces agree ments and the like."

Rumsfeld also said it was unlikely the changes would be an-nounced in one fell swoop.

"So, pieces will be then announced as they are resolved and sorted through or discussed," he said. "And then they will play out over a period of years, so there's not going to be a big announcement of everything

"But what will happen is all of the discussions will go forward, and they'll be announced as they're finalized, and then it could play out over four, five, six years. Jennifer Svan, Chiyomi Sumida, David Allen and Mark Rankin contributed to

this report. E-mail Joseph Giordono at:

# Critics: Politics, not practicality, prompted decision

Jenna Kuehn, whose husband is

President Bush's announcement that he plans to move 60,000 to 70,000 troops from Cold War-era hot spots back home and to regions of potential threat has provoked both support and derision from politicians and analysts in the United States

"The world has changed a great deal, and our posture must change with it, for the sake of our military families, for the sake of our taxpayers, and so we can be more effective at projecting our strength and spreading freedom and peace." Bush said Monday.

The president's proposal ran into imme diate criticism from retired Army Gen. Wesley Clark, who is supporting Bush's Democratic rival, Sen. John Kerry. Clark said Bush's proposal made little strategic sense for conducting a global war on terrorism, and he said the plan would "signif-icantly undermine" U.S. national security. "As we face a global war on terror with

al-Qaida active in more than 60 countries, now is not the time to pull back our forces. and I question why President Bush would want to do this now," Clark said.

"This ill-conceived move and its timing

seem politically motivated."

Richard C. Holbrooke, a Kerry foreign policy adviser and former U.N. ambassador under President Clinton, said on CNN that the plan is a further unilateral step to ward disengagement from traditional allies whom Democrats

maintain Bush already has alienated. This is a major step away from strong

"This is another example of the administration's unilateralism. It's going to weaken our national securitv. It is not going to save us money. It will cost billions of dollars

alliances," Holbrooke

to bring these troops home. It's a mistake, driven by the fact that we're stretched too thin in Iraq and the presidential election.

The political value in all these proposals, one Bush strategist said, is that they por-tray the president as "an agent of change," willing to rethink fundamental assumptions. By contrast, they argue, Kerry's hos-

tility to the idea paints him as wedded to obsolete assumptions. "This is about modernization of defens-

es, and pursuing transformational change while Democrats are apre-9/11 status quo," the GOP strategist said. defenders said.

nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office said in a report in May that greatly re-ducing the U.S. presence overseas could save more than \$1 bil-

lion a year but could cost nearly \$7 billion upfront.

"Restationing Army forces would produce, at best, only small improvements in the United States' ability to respond to far-flung conflicts," the CBO said.

U.S. troop strength in South Korea. where American forces have been sta tioned for more than a half-century, would be reduced from its current level of 37,000. Troop strength in Japan, now about 40,000, also would be cut.

Administration officials stressed Monday that the redeployment plan was devised after three years of discussion that included key allies. Top U.S. military officers throughout the

world had a say about where, and how many troops would remain abroad, administration officials said.

The redeployments would begin in 2006, the Pentagon officials said, and continue for several years.

Some analysts say the redeployments should have occurred in the early 1990s, after the Soviet Union's collapse. They say the strain of continuing combat operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, and not a dramatic change in military strategy, prompted the change.

"This is way overdue," said retired Army Col. Douglas Macgregor, who re-tired in June after writing several books that call for repositioning ground forces. "It would have been better had this hanpened as consequence of strategic thinking and analysis.

"Unfortunately, that's not the case. This is happening because we are under enormous pressure, especially ground forces."



# **Britain charges 8 with terrorist offenses**

BY JILL LAWLESS The Associated Press

LONDON — British police on Tuesday filed charges of conspiracy to murder and other offenses against eight terrorist suspects—
including an alleged top al-Qaida operative charged with possessing plans of financial institutions that were at the center of a U.S. terror alert this month.

A U.S. government official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said one of the men, 32-year-old Dhiren Barot, was a key al-Quida suspect – variously identified in published reports as Abu Esa al-Hindi or Abu Musa al-Hindi — suspected of being involved in surveillance on prominent financial institutions in Washineton and New York.

Police said Barot; Mohammed Naveed Bhatti, 24; Abdul Aziz Jalil, 31; Omar Abdul Rehman, 20; Junade Feroze, 28; Zia ul Haq, 25; Qaisar Shaffi, 25; and Nadeem Tarmohammed, 26, were all accused of conspiring "with other persons unknown" to commit murder between January 2000 and Aug. 4 of this year.

The eight also were charged with conspiring between the same dates to cause a public nuisance by using radioactive materials, toxic gases, chemicals and/or explosives to cause "disruption, fear or injury."

Barot and Tarmohammed were charged with possessing a reconnaissance plan of the Prudential Building in Newark, N.J.,

in violation of the Terrorism Act.

Barot was charged with possession of notebooks containing information on explosives, poisons, chemicals and related matters, and of a reconnaissance plan concerning the New York Stock Exchange, the International Monetary Fund in Washington, D.C., and the Citigroup building in New York.

Those buildings, along with the World Bank in Washington, were identified by U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge on Aug. 1 as possible terror targets uncovered by new intelligence.

Officials later said the intelligence included surveillance reports on the buildings from 2000 and 2001, and acknowledged the U.S. government had discovered no evidence of plans for imminent attacks. Shaffi was charged with possessing an extract from the "Terrorist's Handbook" containing information on the preparation of chemicals, explosive recipes and other information.

other information.

A ninth man, Matthew Philip
Monks, 32, was charged with pos-

session of a prohibited weapon. The men were among 13 de-

tained in Aug. 3 raids across England linked to arrests last month in Pakistan, and to the Aug. 1 terrorism alerts in New York, New Jersey and Washington.

Associated Press reporter Ted Bridis in



Moroccan Mounir el Motassadeq, center, waits with his lawyer Josef Graessler-Muenscher, right, and a translator on the third day of el Motassadeg's retrial on Tuesday in Hamburg, northern Germany.

# Witness: Moroccan key to Hamburg cell

BY DAVID RISING The Associated Press

HAMBURG, Germany — A Moroccan accused of helping the Sept. 11, 2001, suicide pilots was a central member of an increasingly radical group around lead hijacker Mohamed Atta that believed "something had to be done against America," a witness testified Tuesday.

Shahid Nickels, a 23-year-old German student, was the first of more than 30 witnesses scheduled to appear before the Hamburg state court retrying Mounir el Motassadeq, who is charged with giving logistical aid to the Hamburg al-Qaida cell that included Atta and fellow hijackers Marwan al-Shehhi and Ziad Jarrah

Nickels said he met the men in 1997 at Hamburg's radical al-Quds mosque, where he attended a Quran study class led by Atta.

The group believed that "Israel

didn't have the right to statehood and suicide attacks were legitimate," Nickels said. "In America, they believed that the Jews had a lot of power."

The group's inner circle included el Motassadeq, Nickels testified

The group became increasingly radical and by late 1999 the conversation "was all about jihad," or holy war, he said.

"They said that something had to be done against America — it was the general opinion," Nickels said.

Nickels then distanced himself from the group because, he testified, "I couldn't stand hearing any more about the guilt of the Jews."

El Motassadeq, 30, was convicted in February 2003 of membership in a terrorist organization and more than 3,000 counts of accessory to murder and then sentenced to the maximum 15 years. Nickels testified during that trial.

But the conviction was overturned in March.





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# Israel invites bids to build homes in West Bank blocs

BY PETER ENAV The Associated Press

JERUSALEM The Israeli government issued bids Tuesday for 1,000 new homes in Jewish West Bank settlements, insisting the construction has Washington's tacit approval even though it violates a

U.S.-backed peace plan.
U.S. officials said Tuesday that they expected Israel to abide by the "road map" peace plan, which, among other things, calls for a construction freeze in Jewish set

tlements. There has been growing tension between Israel and the United States in re-cent weeks over the West Bank settlements, both over ongoing construction in established communities and Israel's failure to dismantle settlement outposts

However, there has been little public U.S. criticism of Israel

Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's decision to issue the bids comes as he faces a growing rebellion in his Likud Party. Party hard-liners oppose his plans to withdraw from the Gaza Strip by 2005 and to bring the moderate Labor Party into his fragile

The party's Central Committee was to vote Wednesday on a possible alliance with Labor.

The new homes will be built in four West Bank settlements — Karnei Shomron, Ariel, Maaleh Adumim and Beitar Illit. Housing Ministry spokesman Kobi Bleich said. He denied a report that the Geva Binyamin and Kiryat Arba settlements also were involved.

Bleich said the settlements earmarked for expansion are within "the Israeli consensus," meaning they are among those Israel plans to keep in any scenario.

Sharon has said he wants to annex large West Rank settlement blocs to Israel as part of a future peace deal.

In Anril President Rush said it was "unrealistic" to expect Israel to withdraw from all the West Bank and dismantle large population centers in a peace agreement with the Palestinians. This was seen by Israel as a green light to continue ex-

panding large settlement blocs. Tzipi Livni, the acting housing minister, said she believes the construction approved Tuesday "absolutely fits in with the

American declarations." However, U.S. Embassy spokesman Paul Patin reiterated that Israel must honor its commitments under the peace plan

"Israel has accepted the 'road map' and all its stipulations and we expect it to abide by them," Patin said.

The Israeli government adopted the peace plan in May 2003, but it never got off the ground, as both Israel and the Palestin-

ians failed to fulfill their obligations. Earlier this month, Sharon temporarily suspended the bids, asking that the construction plans be checked. Sharon's decision was seen, in part, as an attempt to defuse growing tensions with the United States over settlements.

Palestinian Cabinet minister Saeb Erekat urged Bush to intervene on the settlement construction and pressure Israel to live up to its obligations

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# Burundi, Rwanda may send troops after Congo rebels

By ALOYS NIVOVITA

The Associated Press

BUJUMBURA, Burundi - Burundi and Rwanda on Tuesday threatened to send troops into Congo to hunt down militiamen who massacred at least 160 refugees at a U.N. camp, if Congo fails to disarm the fighters

The Burundian army chief accused Congolese soldiers of participating in Friday's massacre.

"The negative forces that attacked were made of [Burundi rebels] that acted as guides, former Rwandan soldiers, together with part of the Congolese army," said Brig. Gen. Germain Niyoyankana, chief of Burundi's army. He said the Congolese faction was made up of tribal fighters known as Mayi Mayi.

The Burundian army is prepared to pursue the attackers. who used Congo's territory to launch the raid Friday on the on camp sheltering Congolese Tutsi refugees, Niyoyankana said.

In the Congolese capital, Kin-

shasa, a Mayi Mayi official denied Niyoyankana's charge.
"The Mayi Mayi aren't guilty

for this attack. It wasn't possible that they could have entered Burundian territory," Muzuri Tam-

Rwanda and Burundi twice have invaded Congo in attempts to root out Hutu militias. The second invasion, in 1998, sparked a five-year war in Congo that drew in six African countries before it ended in 2003. An estimated 3.5 million people died during that conflict, most from war-induced

The fighting was part of more than a decade of violence between the region's majority Hutus and minority Tutsis that has wracked this corner of central Africa. The conflict also snawned the 1994 Rwandan genocide and a continuing civil war in Burundi that started in 1993.

disease and starvation.

"We must avoid a new attack from Congo; so the Burundi army does not rule out an offensive in . Congo. Everything depends on the Congolese government," Niy-

has asked the Congolese government for an explanation."
Rwandan Foreign Minister

Charles Muligande also warned that his country is prepared to act against Rwandan rebels and allied groups based inside Congo if they are not disarmed.

Extremist groups have ganged up with the aim of eliminating ethnic Tutsi from the three countries, Muligande said in the Rwan-dan capital. Kigali.

In Friday night's massacre, attackers beat drums and blew horns as they went home to home, shooting, hacking and burning to death at least 160 Congolese Tutsi refugees at the camp in Burundi



ourners cover the coffins Monday of 163 Congolese Tutsi massacred Friday at Gatumba, a U.N.-run refugee camp in Burundi, in a mass grave during a funeral service. Burundi sealed the border with Congo and troop reinforcements were being moved in to head off further violence in the region.

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# Family wrongly told son drowned in Rio Grande

BY OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ The Associated Press

SALINAS VICTORIA, Mexico Omar Garcia Escobedo's family thought their 25-year-old son had, like so many other migrants seeking work in the United States, drowned trying to cross the treacherous, fast flowing Rio Grande River

After all, on Aug. 6, an investigator in Texas' Starr County called and said a man carrying a wallet with his ID card had drowned in the river. His father and a cousin went to the United States and identified the badly decomposed body from photographs

But two days after the burial ceremony, the factory worker and father of a 10-month-old boy called to say he was alive and well in the border city of Brownsville, Texas.

The stunned family said Monday that Garcia Escobedo should be granted temporary U.S. residency and a work visa because of the foul-up. They also want U.S. authorities to take back the body of the unidentified man they put in the ground and pay the \$2,500 a funeral home charged them for the burial services

"We told them my cousin had a scar on his left eyebrow and that his toes were crooked," said Melva Villareal, a cousin who went to the United States to identify the body. "They told us our description matched the body and we trusted them.

Garcia Escobedo's wife and father went with Villareal to the Starr County Sheriff's department office in Rio Grande City and identified the body through photographs. They held a funeral for him on Thursday and were still deeply grieving when they received a telephone call from Garcia Escobedo on Saturday

"He told me, 'Mama, I couldn't call earlier because they robbed me and I couldn't afford a phone card until now," his mother, Margarita Escobedo, said

Garcia Escobedo worked at one of the many assembly-for-export factories that surround his village and earned about \$70 a week, his mother said. He headed to the United States from his home in Salinas Victoria, about 100 miles from Laredo. Texas, in early August and was robbed when he arrived at the border.

Family members at first said they planned to sue Texas authorities for negligence, but have since backed off that claim.

They said they'd prefer for Garcia Escobedo to avoid deportation back to Mexico.

"The only thing I want is that they leave my son alone so that he can work," said his father, also named Omar. "I ask that they put his naners in order '

Sandra Mendoza, a spokeswoman for the Mexican consulate in McAllen, Texas, said the body was not shown to relatives because it was badly decomposed. Identifying victims using photographs is standard procedure for drowning victims, she said.

"For us, when the family identifies the body the identity is confirmed," Mendoza said.



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# Iwakuni revives Obon

BY GREG TYLER Stars and Strines

Marine Corps Community Services officials on Saturday will revive the Iwakuni Obon Festival and Culture Day, which used to be an annual tradition at Iwakuni Marine Corps Air Sta-

"I've been here about 10 years, and up until five years ago, we always had the Obon festival," said Alex Perkins, MCCS special events coordinator. "So this year, we are really striving to refurbish the event and get it back up to speed.

"It's actually a very good event that brings people together. It emphasizes aspects of both cultures. We're expecting well over 600 people, and we'd like to see the whole base attend," Perkins

The Iwakuni Obon Festival and Culture Day is free and open to the entire base community, including workers, families and guests of Indirect Hiring Agreement, Master Labor Contract and Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force employees.

Obon is an annual Buddhist event for commemorating ancestors. Each year during Obon, Buddhists believe, the ancestors' spirits return to this world to visit relatives. At the end of Obon, floating lanterns are put into rivers, lakes and seas to guide spirits back into their

The Iwakuni festival, which begins at 2 p.m. with a sake barrel breaking on the main parade field, will be filled with Japanese activities and demonstrations, culminating with the spiritual and colorful Obon Dance. Later in the afternoon, attendees can witness a tea ceremony and ikebana (flower arrangements) displays in the Building One Auditorium lobby

Inside the auditorium until 5 p.m. there will be dance demonstrations, calligraphy, aikido (way of harmony), taisho goto (a type of writing), kimonos, singing, kendo (fencing) and koto (Japanese harp). Activities including origami (paper folding), bamboo dragonfly and calligraphy will be available

A 30-foot Iwakuni white snake sunported by 15 local dancers moving in

will be on hand to teach. Popular and traditional Japanese music constantly will play during the festival, Perkins said. Also, participants can purchase yakitori (grilled chicken on a stick), yakiniku (fried meat dish), ika (squid), udon (noodles)

"Events like this beln to educate Marines, sailors and their families about the local culture, which helps to bridge the gap between the Japanese community and the community the service-members live in," said John Pace, MCCS special events and entertain-

"We think Obon is just an excellent opportunity for this type of event," he added

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outside on the parade field.

unison around the parade field begins

the slate of evening festivities. At 6 p.m., another sake barrel-breaking ceremony takes place as a prelude to performances by Iwakuni Taiko Drummers, Kuga Daiko Drummers and the Iwakuni Obon dancers. The 125 dancers and drummers perform from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. under the light of hundreds of red lanterns strung across the field. Dance instructors also

and various beverages.

ment manager

Along with Iwakuni's MCCS, NTT is

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Firetrucks shoot water cannons to keep the crowd cool during the Friendship Festival at Yokota Air Base, Japan, last year.

# 100,000-plus visitors expected at Yokota Friendship Festival

BY VINCE LITTLE Stars and Stripes

YOKOTA AIR BASE, Japan - The 54th an nual Japanese-American Friendship Festival takes place this weekend along the base's flightline near Hangar 15

More than 110,000 Japanese visitors turned out for the 2003 festival — when temperatures soared into the upper 90s. With milder weather predicted this time around, base officials expect attendance to climb.

Events are set from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday.

A variety of U.S. military and Japanese aircraft will be on static display, including the B-52 Stratofortress, C-130 Hercules, C-21A Learjet, F-15 Eagle, F-16 Fighting Falcon, KC-135 Stratotanker, MC-130P Combat Shadow, UH-1N Huey and UH-60. Flight demonstrations also are planned.

Live entertainment featuring rock, pop, blues, gospel and Latin music will emanate from both an outdoor and indoor stage. Performances by the U.S. Air Force Band of the Pacific. Asia Vokota Samurai and Jinha Taiko teams, and the Tanabata Dancers, are on tap

More than 200 booths are being set up in the festival area, officials said, complete with demonstrations, games and concessions.

Male and female bodybuilders will appear on stage Sunday afternoon in the Yokota Strong Man Challenge, sponsored by the Yokota Fitness Center.

A fireworks finale, slated for 8:45 p.m. Sunday, is to punctuate the weekend festivities. Base guests must provide a photo ID and will be allowed to enter Yokota only on foot through the Supply Gate, officials said. Bike

racks are available. Pets, large baggage, glass bottles and coolers are among the prohibited items, and all bags will be subject to search at the gate. Smoking won't be permitted on base.

The Friendship Festival was created to strengthen ties between Japan and the United States. Yokota officials said. It's designed to promote the exchange of friendships, cultures and experiences.





LEAH WILLIAMS/Courtesy of the U.S. A

Above: Satoru Hasegawa, assistant cameraman with Cinehouse filming company, looks at his shot Monday on Camp Zama while lensing a scene Left: Main cameraman Masayuki Kawada adjusts his camera angle as Japanese actor Hideaki Ito recites his line at a Zama phone booth.



proved, the proposal had to weave through the Army's office

that oversees movie depictions:

the Office of the Chief of Public

host nation, we welcome the op-portunity," Amberg said.

After a long clearance process,

the 73 actors, extras, production

people and a few adoring fans

made their way onto Zama on Monday for filming. Girls

swooned over movie star Hideaki

Ito, who played Japanese soccer

South Korean actor Lee Jee-hoon played soccer player

The Japanese film is expected to air on Fuji TV in the fall.

Ahn Jung-hwan, Horikawa said

player Takase Kazuhiko.

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# Misawa to host 12-hour team marathon

MISAWA AIR BASE, Japan - Misawa's Top 3 Organization will hold a 12-hour marathon Saturday on the Edgren High School track. The run starts at 8 a.m. and ends at 8 p.m. Cost is \$100 per team, or 10.000 ven. The goal for each team is to complete the most miles as possible within the 12 hours.

Prizes are to go to the first-, second- and third-place teams. Proceeds will go to the F-16 renovation project.

Call Senior Master Sgt. Alan Onufrak at DSN: 226-6303 for more information

# Zama high school to start Aug. 30

The first day of school for students attending Zama American High School on Camp Zama, Japan, is Aug. 30. School is to begin at 7:25 a.m.; all students should pick up their class schedules at the gymnasium on the first day. Any students arriving after Aug. 30 can pick up their schedules at the main office.

New student orientation for grades 7-12 at the school will be Aug. 27 in the high school auditorium. The orientation for grade 7 is at 11 a.m., grade 8 at 12 p.m. and grades 9-12 at 1 p.m.

## Tax course offered at Yokosuka next month

Unilife Services Limited is offering a distance-learning H&R Block Income Tax Course starting in September at Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan. An instructor on Okinawa will teach the course via phone, fax or e-mail. The classes will consist of four sessions that begin in September and end in December.

This tax course consists of an orientation, textbook reviews, midterm, final exams and computer training, in preparation to receive clients in January 2005.

Registration deadline is Aug. 27. Contact the Unilife Services Limited Main Office on Okinawa at 098-935-4781/4 or unilife@ryucom.ne.jp for more information.

# Yokosuka DJ night coming

Club Alliance at Yokosuka Naval Base, Japan, is having a DJ night on Aug. 28. Disc jockey EZ Rock will be spinning and giving demonstrations throughout the evening. A base-wide DJ contest will be held, with the grand prize winner to be crowned the 2004 Top Yokosuka DJ. Prizes also will be handed out to the first-, second- and third-prize winners.

To enter the contest, submit your entry form to the Entertainment Office by Friday. Contact Club Alliance at DSN: 243-5951 for more information

# Reggae festival coming to Ikego

The second annual Ikego Community Reggae Festival will be Aug. 28 at the Ikego Housing area. The festival is to run from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Ball Field No. 3 by the running track. Planned are Caribbean food, live music by King Kong Paradise and games for adults and children, such as limbo lines and dreadlock dashes. In case of rain, the festival will be Aug. 29.

# Japanese film crew uses Zama for movie backdrop

## By JULIANA GITTLER Stars and Strings

CAMP ZAMA, Japan - When two soccer players - one Japanese, the other South Korean met in Boston during the 1994 soccer World Cup, they formed a novel idea to bring one of the world's most famous sporting events to their countries.

The two realized that they would have a better bid for hosting the World Cup if they combined their country's efforts rather than competing to host the games

Their idea worked. In 2002, for the first time, the world watched the historic games in two separate countries. It was called the 2002 World Cup Korea/Japan.

This week, a Japanese television film crew is bringing their story to life in a television movie due out this fall. To authenticate some of the scenes, they filmed part of it at Camp Zama outside

While it makes sense to film the American scenes at a U.S. Army base, they also filmed an early scene set in Peru at a dilapidated building on post.

Camp Zama, the headquarters of U.S. Army Japan, offered plenty of space and an American feel. said Yukitoshi Horikawa, location coordinator for Cinehouse.

which is producing the film with Fuji Television.

"It's different from Japanese style." he said through a transla-

Horikawa learned about the Army base three years ago when he worked on a film at Sagamihara Family Housing Area near Camp Zama

Horikawa contacted the base two months ago wondering if Zama would work for his current project.

The U.S. Army Japan Band building, with peeling paint and a gloomy façade, seemed to make a perfect Peruvian bus stop, with a few extras in Peruvian costume and signs in Spanish.

A phone booth beside the base post office was the perfect imitation of the phone booth in Boston where the main characters met in real life.

Horikawa said the movie is essentially about the friendship between soccer players. It also tells a story many Japanese people don't know about.

'That meeting became the foundation of the 2002 World Cup in Korea and Japan," he said. In return for filming access,

U.S. Army Japan gets a note of appreciation in the film credits and a chance to foster good host-na-tion relations, said USARJ spokesman Maj. John Amberg.

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## Want fries with that?



Airman Terry Ramdeholl, 35th Communications Squadron, fills his plate with onion rings and fries in the newly renovated Grissom Dining Facility at Misawa Air Base, Japan. Following a \$614,000 renovation project to its food service area, the facility added a buffet-style, self-service concept and an a la carte pricing system. Multiple stations are scattered throughout the facility, such as a carving station, a cook-to-order pizza shop, an ice cream parlor and a four-choice soup station.



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# Special pays likely to increase in '05

Boosts to FSA, IDP, other incentives sought by House, Senate

BY SANDRA JONTZ Stars and Stripes

ARLINGTON, Va. - In addition to the guaranteed 3.5 percent basic pay raise and elimination of out-of-pocket expenses for housing, the Pentagon is banking on lawmakers approving additional pay and benefits for U.S. servicemembers

Troops could see a permanent boost to the Family Separation Allowance and an increase in Hostile Fire/Imminent Danger Pay; those overseas could get a lump-sum payout for nonrecurring expenses such as the television tax in England

The raise and housing expenses relief became certain Aug. 5 when the president signed the \$417.5 billion 2005 Department of Defense Appropriations Act, which funds the Pentagon's core programs and operations in Iraq and Afghanistan

But the Defense bill is approved by Congress and signed by the president in two portions: the Appropriations Act, which allocates money; and the Authorization Act, which gives the Pentagon the authority to spend it.

Both houses of Congress work on their own versions of the two. and lawmakers will begin haggling over differences in the Authorization bills after Labor Day.

Meantime, Defense compensation experts have listed some measures in the "highly likely" category: provisions included in both houses' Authorization hills but which still must pass the full Congress and be signed by the presi-

They include a permanent in-

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crease in the FSA from \$100 to \$250 a month, no matter if separation takes a family member away from home for 30 days or more to a stateside training facility or to the combat zone, said Air Force Col. Virginia Penrod, director of Military Compensation.

Pentagon budget officials opposed the FSA increase and sought instead to boost the Hardship Duty Pay that would compensate everyone deployed to war zones, whether married or single, Penrod said.

They are seeking an HDP boost from a maximum \$300 a month to \$750 a month. That request is in the "possible" column as it appears in the House version but not the Senate, Penrod said.

Compensations officials also are fairly sure troops eligible to get Hostile Fire/Imminent Danger Pay will see an increase from \$150 to \$225 a month.

For those living overseas who have to pay incidental costs up front, such as a television tax and car tax in England, compensation officials want to provide COLA payments upfront to cover those nonrecurring expenses, instead of reimbursing troops for those up-front expenses little by little over months, she said.

Also fairly certain to be cleared in passage is upwards of a \$60,000 bonus to attract Reserve officers into critical skill areas.

The compensation officials wish list of "possible" incentives includes money to let any hospitalized servicemember continue to collect the Basic Allowance for Substance and forgo paying the daily \$8.10 for hospital meals, in essence double-dipping.

Before an outcry from lawmakers that led to changes, troops wounded or who became ill, even while fighting in Iraq or Afghanistan, for example, had to pay \$8.10 a day for meals while recu perating at military hospitals if they were collecting the BAS.

Also in the House version is a \$250 allotment per member to buy civilian clothes if he or she is medically evacuated from combat zones. Troops have often landed in the United States with nothing more than a hospital robe, Penrod said

The House version also includes a provision to let servicemembers take up to three months advance of basic pay when deploying to a combat zone, and defers repayment of that advance until they return

The Senate version has a clause that would increase the death gratuity each year by the same percentage amount as the basic pay raise. Last year, the Pentagon doubled the gratuity to \$12,000.

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# Condition of Shalikashvili is upgraded

The Associated Press

FORT LEWIS, Washington The condition of retired Army Gen. John Shalikashvili. who chaired the Joint Chiefs of Staff during the Clinton administration, has been upgraded from guarded to serious but sta-

Madigan Army Medical Center spokesman Mike Meines said Monday the change indicates Shalikashvili's condition has improved.

He said he was barred by privacy rules from providing further details

Shalikashvili, 68, was hospitalized Aug. 7. Friends have said he suffered a brain hemor-

Shalikashvili spoke at the Democratic National Convention in July, endorsing John Kerry for president.

# Visit from Vina



Pop singer Vina Morales entertains hundreds of fans at Club Trilogy, the enlisted club at Atsugi Naval Air Station, Japan. During a whirlwind tour of Japan, the popular Filipino singer took time to play an all-hands show at Atsugi on Friday.



A U.S. Army sniper holds his position Tuesday in a building close to the cemetery in the besieged holy city of Najaf, Iraq. The deadly showdown in Najaf has dominated Iraq's national conference, with 60 delegates sent to persuade a radical Shiite cleric to call off his fighters.

# Iraqi delegation presents peace proposal in Najaf

# Baghdad mortar attack kills seven, wounds 47

BY JAMIE TARABAY The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — An Iraqi peace delegation sent by a national conference in Baghdad arrived in Najaf by helicopter on Tuesday to present radical Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr with a peace plan aimed at ending a violent insurgency wracking the holy city.

Later Tuesday, the three-day Baghdad conference was extended for a fourth day to give the delegates more time to choose a national council to act as a watchdog over the interim government, conference chair Fuad Masoum said

Despite the delegation's arrival in Najaf, fighting intensified in the holy city with a U.S. warplane dropning a homb in the city's sprawling cemetery, site of recent clashes between U.S. forces and Shiite mili-

U.S. Marine Maj. Thomas V. Johnson said the military fired "one precision guided missile on a building in the cemetery where Muqtada militiamen with RPGs were attacking U.S. soldiers.

Explosions and gunfire shook the streets throughout the day and U.S. troops entered the Old City neighborhood, where al-Sadr's

Mahdi Army was based. The clashes Tuesday killed three people and wounded 15, all civilians, accordto rescue worker Sadio al-Shaihany

Two of the civilians were killed when gunfire hit the office of the Badr Brigades, the militant wing of the Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq, a Shiite political group which is not in-volved in the fighting, according to Ridha Taqi, a SCIRI official.

In Baghdad, a mortar round hit a busy street several miles from the National Conference, killing seven people and injuring 47 oth ers, officials said.

The mortar did not appear to be aimed at the conference but rather was a routine attack intended "to create chaos in the country," said Sabah Kadhim, Interior Ministry spokesman.

The conference itself was considered a major target for militants waging a 16-month-old insurgency, and two explosions Tuesday aftermoon shook the convention center where it was being held, the U.S. military said.

A soldier and a civilian security guard were slightly injured, the military said. The source of the blasts was unclear.

From The Associated Press

Al-Sadr aide Ali al-Yassiry, who said he came to the conference to talk to U.N. officials about the Najaf violence, said he also was slightly injured in the blast. Al-Sadr's followers have said they were boycotting the gathering, though several members of his movement have been seen there in

recent days Fighting between the two sides has spread to other parts of Iraq, including the capital

The U.S. Army said Tuesday that assailants ambushed U.S. troops with rocket-propelled grenades and bombs in a series of attacks in east Baghdad on Monday, killing one U.S. soldier and wounding several others.

The peace proposal was cobbled together by delegates at Iraq's Na-tional Conference, which was initially scheduled to end Tuesday.

Al-Sadr aides said they welcomed the mission, but not the peace proposal.

"The demands of the [National Conference| committee are impossible. The shrine compound must be in the hands of the religious authorities. They are asking us to leave Najaf while we are the sons of Najaf," said al-Sadr aide Sheik Ali Smeisim

# Army to withhold 15 percent from Halliburton payments

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Chris Gaut

Halliburton finance chief

The Associated Press

HOUSTON - The U.S. Army will begin withholding 15 percent of its payments on Halliburton Co.'s future invoices for logistical support of troops in Iraq and Kuwait, the oil services conglomerate said

Halliburton reversed its announcement Monday that the Army Materiel Command had given the

company more time to explain and account for its costs before implementing a clause in a contract allowing withholding of payments. Halliburton said that on Monday the company understood that the extension, which expired Sunday, would remain in effect "based on clear oral assurances from senior Pentagon representatives."

Halliburton said Tuesday the company had learned that the Army Materiel Command had refused to grant a third extension before implementing the

clause, which allows the government to withhold 15 percent of payments until contractors prove their Linda Theis, a spokeswoman for the Army Field

Support Command in Rock Island, Ill., didn't immediately return a call for comment Tuesday Halliburton has been awarded more than \$6 bil-

lion in contracts related to the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq, but the company has been under fire for allegedly overcharging the government. Halliburton says it is a political target, denies wrongdoing and disputes whether the withhold is legally justified.

The Army Materiel Command "feels this is a stan-

dard part of the contract and this is not being imposed as a penalty or lack of progress" on substantiating costs, spokeswoman Wendy Hall said in an e-mail message

The withhold affects Halliburton's LOGCAP III contract with the Army to provide logistical support for troops - meal service, laundry, mail and hous-

> Halliburton said KBR, its engineering and construction arm that performs much of its government contract work, will offset the loss by withholding 15 percent from payments to subcontractors.

> "At the end of the day, we do not expect this will have a significant or sustained impact on liquidity." Halliburton finance chief Cris Gaut said.

Halliburton similarly dis putes withholding of 15 percent of navments on its contracts with the Army Corps of Engieers to fight oil well fires and rebuild Iraq's oil in-

frastructure. The company said Tuesday it expects to ask for a 'indicial determination" on whether the withholds apply to the contracts

Hall said it "hasn't been determined" where or with whom the claim will be filed.

"Halliburton is confident that the government action is not justified and expects that its legal argu-ments will be upheld in litigation," the company

Halliburton shares fell 98 cents, or 3.5 percent, to \$26.81 in afternoon trading on the New York Stock

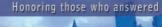
# Guantanamo detainee takes case before panel

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico - A U.S. military review panel on Mon-

SAN JUAN, Puerto Kico — A U.S. military review panel on Mon-day heard the case of a Guantanamo prisoner accused of training with a militant Islamic group, officials said.

The man, whose name and nationality were not released, has been held at the U.S. base in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, for about two years, said military spokeswoman, Navy Cmdr. Beel Brenton. The man did not call any witnesses. Details of the detainee's test-mony weverly available, nor was the recommendation of the

The man unlow cat any winesses. Details of the detailers a testing of the three-member tribunal. There were no journalists present. The U.S. military claims the 28-year-old detainee who went before the tribunal members on Monday received training from Lashare-Taiba, a militant Pakistani group that wants to force India out of the disputed Kashmir region, Brenton said. The group also facili-tates the movement of senior al-Qaida members, Brenton said.





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# Strikeforce steered clear of danger

# Drivers 'take care' of leaders while on the road in Iraq

BY SETH ROBSON Stars and Stripes

CAMP BUEHRING, Kuwait -The 8th Army boxing champion and three tough hombres share the responsibility of keeping 2nd Infantry Division leaders safe on the roads of Iraq during a

year-long deployment. The four are drivers with the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, and work for brigade commander Col. Gary S. Patton: deputy commander Lt. Col. Thomas Graves; executive officer Lt. Col. Bob Bialek; and Brigade Sgt. Maj. Marvell Dean.

All are expert infantrymen and double as bodyguards for the leaders in Strikeforce.

Dean's driver, Coombs, is one of the largest men in the brigade and the 8th Army boxing champion. Spc. Rigoberto Tovar, who drives for the deputy commander, competed in the Golden Gloves amateur boxing competition.

Before he left South Korea Coombs promised all 2nd ID sergeants major that Dean would come home safely, he said. The other drivers are just as determined to do the same for the leaders they protect, they said.

The group rates itself as the best and safest wheelmen in the brigade.

can go anywhere,"

Coombs said. "Between us, we have probably got 50,000 acci-dent-free miles in Korea. You know how dangerous the roads in Korea can be

The drivers are quick to point out that their jobs involve more than just driving and acting as

bodyguards Sgt. Ray Gonzales, an accomplished dancer, has helped take care of Bialek's children and pets, picked up dry cleaning and sold Girl Scout cookies as part of his

"People think you just drive, but we have to take care of them (the leaders) first before we can take care of our own stuff," said Sgt. Joe Ramos, who drives for

Drivers have to be trustworthy. Combs said.

"Sergeant Major Dean is involved in the Sergeant Majors' As-sociation. We had a Christmas card sale, and I had to distribute and collect the money for all the cards. I had about \$20,000 in cash go through my hands," he said.

The group also gets to see a different side to the brigade leaders that front-line soldiers don't, they

Coombs' work with the association has exposed him to the lighter side of sergeant majors, he said. "They are known for making

spot corrections and being in people's butts constantly. I get to see them when they let their hair



SETH RORSON/Stars and Striner

Strikeforce driver Spc. Rigoberto Tovar, left, aims to bring back his leader, Lt. Col. Thomas Graves, safely home from Iraq. Drivers say their jobs involve more than just driving and acting as bodyguards.

down. When they have a farewell they cut loose. They are people too," he said.

The drivers rate Dean the hardest taskmaster of the brigade lead-

"When it comes to paperwork, this dude is so meticulous it is ridiculous. He thinks of every little detail." Coombs said.

Bialek likes to get an answer to his questions immediately, Gonzales said.

"He says, 'cricket, cricket' if people don't answer his questions right away," he said.

Graves is a fitness fanatic, said Toyar the newest on the job

"He's always running 10 miles, swimming five miles and riding his bike another 10 miles. He always says [physical training] is not enough," he said.

Patton likes to make sure things get done right, Ramos said. The small band of drivers find

themselves always together, working or waiting for the next assignment. Back in South Korea drank together at the Pan-Korea club in Tongduchon. The three Hispanic drivers, all

members of La Gente, a Hispanic fraternity, are teaching Coombs about Mexican culture, they said.

On a typical day in Kuwait, where the Strikeforce is preparing for its Iraq mission, the driv-ers could find themselves run-ning errands for their boss around Camp Buehring or headed to Port Shu'aiba to check on the movement of equipment.

They know that more dangerous challenges await them in Iraq but remain determined to make sure their leaders return safely. E-mail Seth Robson at: robsons@pstripes.osd.mil

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# U.S.-brokered cease-fire stops deadly fighting in Afghanistan

BY AMIR SHAH The Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan - America's ambassador helped broker a cease-fire Tuesday to halt Afghan istan's latest bloody infighting, persuading a warlord to pull away from a provincial capital as U.S. warplanes circled overhead.

The deal halted fighting that had left many dead and rebel fighters within 20 miles of the key western city of Herat, said U.S. Ambassador Zalmay Khalilzad. He said the death toll had risen significantly from the 25 killed as of Monday, but he would not give any specific figures.

Factional violence has flared across Afghanistan this year, undermining Afghan and American claims of growing security and stability more than two years after the fall of the Taliban.

The latest violence also could deepen ethnic tension ahead of the Oct. 9 presidential vote, and is an unwelcome distraction for the

U.S. military battling insurgents. Amanullah, a commander whose militiamen have battered troops loyal to the governor of Herat province, said Tuesday that he had retreated from positions overlooking Herat city after the cease-fire deal.

A spokesman for Gov. Ismail

Khan said the Afghan govern-ment's new U.S.-trained army then inserted a buffer force north of a contested air base to keep the sides apart.

"We expect everyone to cooperate for the sake of Afghanistan and for their own future," Kha-lilzad told reporters in Kabul after speaking to the two protagonists in a round of telephone diplo-

Earlier on Tuesday, Amanullah's ethnic Pashtun fighters pushed to within 20 miles of the provincial capital, raising the specter of urban warfare.

Amanullah swears allegiance to the central government. But Hamid Karzai, a fellow Pashtun who has also clashed repeatedly with Khan, condemned his action and the U.S. official warned against any further advance.

"I've made it clear our expecta-tions of people," Khalilzad said when asked if he had threatened to use force. "I would like to leave

Residents and officials in Herat said U.S. warplanes patrolled over the shifting front lines on Tuesday.

Militia commanders on both sides claimed that bombs were dropped — always on their oppo-nents. U.S. military officials in Kabul didn't respond to requests

# Staff sergeant in a war zone twice by 24

# Ex-child soldier in the Bosnian army becomes U.S. Army leader

BY JASON CHUDY Everything about Staff Sgt.

Stars and Stripes

Adin Salkanovic says soldier. His clear, deliberate speech, close-cropped hair and serious demeanor give him an air of authority usually reserved for those with a lifetime of military experience, not five years of U.S. Army ser-

vice Those five years don't tell the whole story, though

When he was only 14, Salkanovic spent a year in the Bosnian army, fighting Serbian forces that surrounded his hometown of Sarajevo for 31/2 years between 1992

and 1995 "I volunteered many times but because of my age they said, 'no,' " said Salkanovic, 24, who now serves as a scout with Troop F, 9th Cavalry, in Baghdad. "But I kept volunteering, I was one of those guys who wanted to see

some action. Finally, the army relented and Salkanovic became a soldier, first proving himself by working with radios or carrying ammunition. After a few months he moved to the front lines, which were less than 11/2 miles from his home

"It was World War I-style fight-ing, trench warfare," he said "There were a lot of mortar attacks, howitzers and tanks - a lot of armor got involved. Both sides took a lot of casualties from the minefields and snipers.

After about a year of fighting, Salkanovic's father was wounded

"I kind of quit after my dad was injured," he said. "I had to take care of my family."

Salkanovic was the middle of three children and the oldest son. He ran the household for two years until the family emigrated to the United States in 1995 to get medical help for his sister, who had a severe case of scoliosis.

Salkanovic's family settled in San Jose, Calif., and while his sister received medical treatment, he attended school.

"I was lost for three months." he said. Neither he nor his sib lings spoke English. "I would guess what they were saying from one or two words and piece it together. After three months we all kind of felt comfortable speaking English."

Once his sister's two surgeries were complete, Salkanovic's fami-



Staff Sgt. Adin Salkanovic talks about his year as a child soldier in the Bosnian army. When he was 14, Salkanovic fought Serb forces that surrounded his hometown of Sarajevo, quitting only after his father was wounded in action. He joined the U.S. Army after settling in California.

ly decided to move back to Sarajevo, then part of Bosnia and Herzegovina, in 1997.

"I told my dad I wasn't going to stay," Salkanovic said. He returned to San Jose, working construction jobs until he finished high school.

"As soon as I got my high school diploma I joined the

Army," he said. "I thought I would enjoy it."

He said the Army gave him no special consideration for his time as a child soldier. He still had to go through basic training.

And he found the U.S. Army quite different from the Bosnian

"As far as training, discipline

and equipment ... you can't com-pare it," he said. The Bosnian army "was a regular army, just lacking in uniformity. Every battalion had their own uniform and standards."

In 2001, he was assigned to 3rd Battalion, 8th Cavalry, deploying twice to Kuwait right before and right after Sept. 11, 2001. When Troop F was created, Salkanovic joined the unit, which is now de-ployed to Camp Grey Wolf in the International Zone

Salkanovic's history as a child soldier followed him into the unit, but he doesn't tell many war sto-

ries.
"He doesn't talk about it unless you ask," said Troop F 1st Sgt. Kirby Carter. "Guys who've seen bad stuff don't talk about it. If they talk about it, they've usually had to embellish it.

Carter said that Salkanovic's squad has seen some serious combat in its nearly six months in

Shortly after its arrival, the squad fought through a 4½-mile long coordinated ambush in Abu Ghraib and manned the Baghdad International Airport perimeter when it came under attack, later clearing the buildings that had housed the enemy fighters.

"It just clicked over the first time we got engaged," said Sal-kanovic about returning to combat. "It's just like riding a bicycle.



# IN THE STATES

# Rumsfeld urges caution on intel reform

BY JESSE J. HOLLAND

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld struck a cautious tone Tuesday on the need for a national intelligence director, saying any changes should not create new barriers between war fight-

ers and agencies that collect intelligence.
As the Senate Armed Services Committee considered intelligence reform, acting CIA Director John McLaughlin also said he — personally — would support giving the proposed national intelligence director the authority to control the foreign intelli-gence elements of a national intelligence budget believed to be in the \$40 billion

That would give the proposed director intragency spending control over huge swaths of the country's intelligence net-work, including the Defense Department's Work, including the Decision Department's National Security Agency and National Re-connaissance Office, even though Con-gress ultimately would decide the figure in the absence of a presidential veto. Added budgetary powers, which the White House is considering, has sparked extensive debate

Rumsfeld told the panel that consolidating defense intelligence agencies under a new director - outside the Defense Department — "could conceivably lead to some efficiencies in some aspects of intelligence collection" and "some modest but in-

definable improvement." But officials must be certain that such changes do not create new problems for intelligence agencies within the Defense Department, he said, "We would not want to place new barriers or filters between military combatant commanders and those agencies when they perform as com-bat-support agencies," Rumsfeld said.

The Sept. 11 commission's report suggested that Congress create an intelligence director of near-Cabinet rank to coordinate all 15 of the government's intelligence agencies, ensuring that they work with each other and share intelligence.

Amid a growing clamor for change during Congress's August recess, the committee's chairman also urged caution

'As we examine ways to reform our intelligence community, we must be sure we do nothing to undermine the confidence of the battlefield commanders in the intelligence support on which they must depend," said Sen. John Warner

The Virginia Republican suggested ex-panding the powers of the CIA director, who also oversees the 14 other agencies in the intelligence community, or giving the CIA director the title of national intelligence director.

Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kan., chairman of the Intelligence Committee, revealed Mon day he has drafted legislation that would give the new intelligence chief the budget authority and hiring and firing power that the White House so far has not committed

White House spokesman Scott McClel-lan said Tuesday that President Bush has ruled nothing out, including budget power,

But the Pentagon currently controls most of the large intelligence agencies: the National Security Agency, which intercents electronic communications: the National Reconnaissance Office, which operates spy satellites; and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, which analyzes satellite nictures.

The Defense Department also controls roughly 80 percent of the money spent on intelligence, a classified figure estimated at \$40 billion annually.

Former defense secretaries told sena tors Monday that the Pentagon's intelli-gence agencies ought to be left alone, highighting the turf battles that may occur.

But Roberts said his committee is working on a draft bill that would be close to the Sept. 11 commission's suggestion of a pow-erful director. Congressional aides said the committee draft has a National Counterterrorism Center and a national intelligence director with the power to hire and fire intelligence personnel, as well as set budgets for the 15 agencies.

# Relief funds now arriving in Florida

# **Hurricane Charley** death toll rises to 19

BY BRENDAN FARRINGTON The Associated Pres

PUNTA GORDA, Fla. - Federal disaster assistance money started flowing to Hurri-

cane Charlev's victims and postal workers handed out mail Tuesday outside their damaged building, but hundreds of thousands still had no phones, no running water, no dia-pers for the baby and no gas to fill the tank.

"I haven't had a hot meal in days, but I'm doing all right," said 82-year-old Norma Chapman, who drove to a half-demolished strip mall in Punta Gorda Tuesday to pick up six bags of ice. She was still without any electricity or running water. Federal Emergency Management Agen

cy director Mike Brown visited Punta Gorda on Tuesday and said \$2 million in payments already had been issued to victims, with more on the way. He said the agency had received 23,500 applications seeking relief, including 13,000 on Monday

Officials estimate Charley caused as much as \$11 billion in damage to insured homes alone when it tore across the state

"We have just started the recovery pro-cess of Hurricane Charley," Brown said. He said FEMA was making preparations to house up to 10,000 people in temporary shelters, calling the relief effort "a textbook op-

There were other small signs of progress Tuesday.
At 7:45 a.m., the U.S. flag was raised at

the heavily damaged main Post Office in Punta Gorda as 60 employees said the Pledge of Allegiance, cheered and applauded. Then, they went to work for the first time since Charley struck on Friday.

"We're back in business," declared Post-

master Doug Burns.

The building's front windows and sliding glass doors were blown out, sections of the roof were missing and insulation from a nearby business was plastered across rent-



Michelle Delgado, center, and other volunteers prepare boxes of donated items before loading them on a truck Monday in Pembroke Pines, Fla., bound for victims of Hurricane Charley. Federal disaster assistance funds began arriving for victims on Tuesday.

al mail boxes. Since people could not get to the boxes, Postal Service employees hand-ed out mail in a drive-through operation.

Attorney General Charlie Crist filed price gouging and unfair trade practices complaints Tuesday against two motels, accusing them of jacking up room rates. One advertised \$39.99 on a billboard but asked for \$109 and \$119 a room, Crist said.

"It is unthinkable that anyone that any one would try to take advantage of neighbors at a time like this," Crist said. More than 100 state investigators were in the field, and most of the initial complaints are about lodging rates.

Gov. Jeb Bush, touring hard-hit central Florida communities, asked the public to be natient

"No one is suggesting this is easy," Bush id. "These are difficult times, but if people have a little bit of perspective those services are going to be restored real soon."

About 640,000 people remained without

power Tuesday, state officials said, estimating it could take weeks to get electricity fully restored. At least 150,000 were without local phone service.

Punta Gorda and Port Charlotte were among the hardest-hit areas, and 25 of Flori-da's 67 counties were designated federal disaster areas

Early Tuesday, state emergency manage ment spokeswoman Tameeka Forbes said the death toll had been raised from 18 to 19, but no further details on the new reported death were immediately released. Earlier, Charley killed four people in Cuba and one in Jamaica

A woman who arrived at a temporary medical center while Brown was touring the facility later died of cardiac arrest, but John Caprio, team commander of the medical unit, said it was not immediately clear if her death was related to the storm.

Brown earlier had said it could take sever al weeks to find all the victims, and officials still had no count Monday of how many people remained unaccounted for, a mission complicated by toppled power lines, spotty phone communication and roads littered with debris. However, early estimates of hundreds of people missing are probably in-

# Saudis quote 9/11 report in U.S. radio ads

BY KEN GUGGENHEIM The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Stung by criticism about its role in fighting terrorism, Saudi Arabia has launched a radio advertising campaign in Portland, Maine, and 18 other cities citing the Sept. 11 commission report as proof that it has been a loyal ally in the fight against al-Qaida.

The two advertisements quote the commission's conclusion that the Saudi government did not fund al-Oaida. One ad cites the report's finding that Saudi Arabia stopped a 1998 plot to attack U.S. troops; the other cites a finding that Saudis were not flown out of the United States right after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

The ads don't address commission criticism of Saudi Arabia, which the report called "a problematic ally in combating Is-lamic extremism." It said Saudi-funded Islamic schools have been exploited by extremists and, while Saudi cooperation against terror improved after the Sept. 11 attacks, "significant problems remained."

A congressional inquiry into the attacks triggered questions about whether the Saudi royal family funded to the hijackers.

More recently, Saudi Arabia has become an issue in the U.S. presidential campaign. Democratic candidate John Kerry has repeatedly questioned Saudi Arabia's commitment to fighting terrorism and accused President Rush of not pressing the issue

In the documentary "Fahrenheit 9/11," filmmaker Michael Moore claims the Bush administration helped Saudi princes and members of bin Laden's family flee the United States while American airspace was closed to commercial traffic in the aftermath of the attacks.

The commission found there was no evidence of Saudi flights before national airspace reopened on Sept. 13, 2001 and no evidence of political intervention.

It also found "no evidence that the Saudi government as an institution or senior Saudi officials individually funded" al-Oaida.

A Saudi spokesman, Nail al-Jubeir, said Al-Jubeir said the ads tell Americans "these are the facts that your own independent commission has said about Saudi Arabia. You make up your mind."

# Republicans pushing to oust N.J.'s governor

By JOHN P. MCALPIN The Associated Press

TRENTON, N.J. - Republican Party leaders hope to ratchet up the pressure on Gov. James E McGreevey to leave office before a self-imposed November dead line by taking their case to the

public Republican husinessman Doug Forrester, the party's unsuccess ful choice in the 2002 race for U.S. Senate, announced plans to air a series of radio and television commercials, telling voters the state needs a change in leadership.

In a commercial to be shown on cable television, a voice-over announcer suggests the state needs an elected lieutenant governor, as viewers see images of McGreevey with Democratic state Sen. Richard Codey, the man who as Senate esident is to finish the balance of McGreevey's term.

"It is important that we focus on the serious issue of good government," said Forrester, who is one of several possible GOP candidates for a potential special elec-

Appealing directly to the public marks a shift in GOP strategy from exploring legal approaches for ousting McGreevey, said the party's chairman, state Sen. Joseph Kyrillos.

McGreevey upended the state's

political landscape Thursday by saying that he had engaged in an extramarital affair with a man and fice, effective Nov. 15.

If he stays in office beyond Sept 3, McGreevey staves off the need for a special election for the remainder of his term, which ex-

pires in January 2006. A spokeswoman for the governor. Ellen Mellody, denied the timing of the resignation had any-thing to do with the window for a

special election. McGreevey, making his first public comments since disclosing his homosexuality, defended his record and the effective date of his resignation in an opinion piece that appeared in Tuesday's USA

Under the headline "Duty personal trumps McGreevey credits his administration with bolstering the state's economy, reforming its troubled auto insurance market, improving the quality of life for residents and making New Jersey a leader in stem-cell research.

McGreevey refers only generally to the reason for his resignation, calling it personal and a decision that was not easy "but one that was in the best interests of my family and the state that I humbly serve.

He also defended his departure date, saving it would provide for a more orderly transition than if he resigned now, when the state is on high alert for terrorism, a situation heightened by the upcoming Republican National Convention



New Jersey Gov. James E. McGreevey, center, is escorted to his car Monday as he leaves the Statehouse in Trenton, N.J. Republicans look ing to force McGreevey from office continued their public campaign for a special election Monday as Democratic leaders talked privately about the plans to deal with the governor's sex scandal.

McGreevey's words annear under a USA Today editorial that argues the governor resigned more out of political calculation than bravery. "If McGreevey wants to show some real political courage, he'd quit now," it said.

While the GOP wants to nush the governor out the door, some Democrats also hope McGreevey will leave early to avoid dragging out details of his sex life. State Democrats are looking to U.S. Sen. Jon Corzine to run if McGreevey

does leave. But national party leaders are urging Corzine to stay in the Senate, and Corzine has indicated he is not looking to replace

Most Democrats, however. are telling party leaders they are stick-ing with McGreevey, said Assemblyman Joe Cryan, the state party vice chairman.

Voters apparently disagree.

In a Fairleigh Dickinson University PublicMind poll released Monday, 41 percent of those surveyed said they thought Nov. 15 was the right date for McGreevey to leave office However 48 percent said he should have resigned immediately. The poll - of 500 registered voters that was conducted Friday, Saturday and Sunday — had a mar-gin of error of plus or minus 4 per-

centage points.
Also Monday, two lawyers filed a federal lawsuit seeking to force a special election, arguing that McGreevey has declared "he is unable to govern and to continue to carry out the duties of his office and that he could no longer continue in office due to threats of blackmail and extortion.'

Two sources McGreevey — a high-ranking administration member and a senior political adviser — have identified an Israeli, Golan Cipel, as the man McGreevey referred to. Cipel worked on McGreevey's 2001 campaign, then served as a state homeland security adviser and as a special counselor to the governor in

# School No. 1 and not happy

By MARK JOHNSON The Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — Beating Harvard or Yale on a list of rankings would ordinarily make administrators at the State University of New York at Albany am. But not when it wins the nation's No. 1 party school crown

the use of hard liquor and mari-juana, ninth in beer drinking and first in "students (almost) never study," helping get Prince-ton Review's top party spot. The review's annual "Best 357 Colleges" survey, conducted

Colleges" survey, conducted since 1992, is based on responses from more than 110,000 students at campuses around the country. The review has no affiliation with Princeton University

"The rankings are not to be taken seriously, and are certainly not reflective of the serious, hardworking students at Albany," university spokeswoman Lisa James-Goldsberry said in a statement.

"If this were a term paper, it would get an 'F' in methodolo-It is the ninth time the Univer-

sity at Albany — a state-run school with an undergraduate enrollment of 12,000 students as been on the party school list. It was No. 1 in 1998 and No. 14 last year. The University of Colorado at Boulder ranked No. 1 last year. One recent Albany graduate

said the latest ranking wasn't too surprising. "It's pretty crazy," said Matt Kazimir, 21, a from

Danbury, Conn. "There's always

a party."
Still, some students say Albany's ranking isn't deserved. "I wouldn't agree it's No. 1," said junior Brian Fessler, 20. "There are certainly a lot of opportunities to party, but it's also a great institution with some top pro-

grams. There are great academic opportunities, as well."

Brigham Young University was ranked the top "stone-cold sober" school, the survey found. Massachusetts Institute of Technology was the toughest to get into. The happiest students over-all were at Pomona College in Claremont Calif

The "party school" category is based on questions focusing on the amount of alcohol and drug consumption, the amount of time students spend studying, and the popularity of fraternities and sororities. The American Medical Association has criticized party school listings, say-ing they legitimize high-risk drinking and portray alcohol as an essential part of student life Robert Franck, lead author for the survey, disagrees and says the survey accurately reflects col-lege life — for better or worse —

and can be a vehicle for change. Other top 10 party schools were: Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va.; the University of Wisconsin-Madison West Virginia University, Mor of Wisconsin-Madison; gantown; Ohio University, Athens; Florida State University, Tallahassee; University Texas-Austin; University Georgia, Athens; University Colorado; and University of Mis-

# Man linked to McGreevey in Israel 'to muster strength'

BY PETER ENAV The Associated Press

RISHON LETZION Israel - A tense and tired Golan Cipel - the Israeli man at the center of New James McGreevey's resignation saga said Tuesday he flew home to Israel to muster strength from his family and would return to the United States soon

In front of his parents' apartment in an eight-story building in a Tel Aviv suburb, Cipel spoke in public for the first time since McGreevey resigned last week.

He refused to answer questions. pointing to legal restrictions.

Later, in a written statement, Cipel vowed to return to the United States to "make sure justice comes to light."

McGreevey resigned last week after announcing he is gay and had an extramarital affair with a man. Sources close to McGreevev identified the man as Cipel and said the Israeli demanda ed millions of dollars to keep quiet.

Cipel. 35 told an Israeli

newspaper that he is straight, but that the governor, his former boss. repeatedly made unwanted sexual advances - a claim denied by McGreevey's aides.

Cipel met briefly with reporters Tuesday afternoon in front of his parents' home in Rishon Letzion a city south of Tel Aviv.

Speaking in Hebrew, he said: "I have had a very difficult time.

Cipel declined to answer reporters' questions, but later released the statement saying, "Sexual harassment is a very difficult thing and those who haven't been through it don't understand how

difficult it can be." The statement went on, "I came to Israel to muster strength with my family, with my friends ... and I intend to return to the United States within a few weeks to make sure justice will come to light.

Sources in McGreevey's administration have said Cipel originally demanded \$50 million but the figure dropped to \$5 million as negotiations progressed.

Cipel told the Israeli daily Yediot Ahronot over the weekend that McGreevey's attorneys offered to pay if Cipel didn't file a lawsuit. He said the attorneys were discussing various settlements when the governor suddenly resigned.



# Gap grows between haves and have-nots

WASHINGTON - Over two decades, the income gap has steadily increased be tween the richest Americans, who own homes and stocks and got big tax breaks. and those at the middle and bottom of the

pay scale, whose paychecks buy less. The growing disparity is even more pronounced in this recovering economy Wages are stagnant and the middle class is shouldering a larger tax burden. Prices for health care, housing, tuition, gas and food

The wealthiest 20 percent of households in 1973 accounted for 44 percent of total U.S. income, according to the Census Butom fifth, the share dropped from 4.2 percent to 3.5 percent

Jobs and the economy top the list of voter concerns this election year. President Bush touts a strong economy that is growing, but polls find that Americans have doubts and think jobs are scarce. John Kerry is trusted more on the economy, with Democrats talking regularly of 'two Americas," divided between the rich

and everyone else. That argument has merit, some private economists say.

"For those working in the bottom half of the pay scale, they're under an enormous amount of pressure," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Economy.com

President Bush's tax cuts have shifted the overall tay burden to the middle class from wealthiest Americans

The U.S. jobs market is soft, sending wages down. Hiring came to a near stand still last month, with companies adding just 32,000 new jobs overall, stunning econ-omists who had expected seven times as

More than a million jobs have been added back to the 2.6 million lost since Bush took office, but they pay less and offer fewer benefits, such as health insurance. The new jobs are concentrated in health care, food services and temporary employment firms, all lower-paying indus tries. Temp agencies alone account for about a fifth of all new jobs.

The income gap is showing up in boom

ing sales of luxury items.

Porsche Cars North America Inc. says sales are up 17 percent for the year. Strong sales at Neiman Marcus Nordstrom and Saks Fifth Avenue overshadow lackluster sales at stores such as Wal-Mart, Sears and Payless Shoes

Economists say wages should rise as companies boost hiring. But the growing gap be-

tween the haves and have-nots will remain. Technology has eliminated many U.S. jobs, as has global competition, particularly from low-wage countries such as China.

Highly skilled, educated workers in America will thrive as demand rises, Sohn said, while low-skilled jobs remain vulnerable to outsourcing.



# FACES 'N' PLACES



Tom Cruise stars as an assassin in the new film "Collateral." Cruise says he was eager to explore what he calls his character's conviction that he's "really just taking out society's garbage."

# Cruise looks into heart of an assassin for latest role

44 From the outside.

Vincent is completely

comfortable in his skin.

with who he is and

what he does, And that

kind of confidence.

coupled with the skill

to back it up, will

always be attractive to

a lot of people.

Tom Cruise

By TERRY LAWSON Knight Ridder Newspapers

om Cruise wants to tell you about a film he thinks vou should see It's directed by Michael Mann, and it costars

Jamie Foxx "The director's cut of 'Ali,' " enthuses Cruise, mounting a detailed argument about why Mann's reconstructed version of his 2001 Muhammad Ali biography, recently released on DVD, is the best movie he's seen all

"A lot of times, this 'director's cut business is just about getting people to buy something they already own. But this is one of those deals where Michael's original vision for that film got compromised along the way, and he had the opportunity to go back and get it exactly right. And it's just so much better."

Not that Cruise isn't excited about "Collateral," his own film with director Mann and costar Foxx, which opened stateside Aug. 6

It's a thriller about a Los Angeles cab driver, played by Foxx, who is essentially taken hostage by a passen-ger with an agenda far different than the usual fare's

Vincent, played by Cruise, is an as-sassin employed by a drug-trafficking network to take out potential witnesses before indictments are handed up. His assignment must be completed in one night, meaning he needs a wheelman who not only can get him where he

needs to go but who can also keep his wits while fully ex pecting to be Vincent's final victim.

"Michael and I had known each other since about 1986. when we took this rafting trip together," says Cruise. "We're both into what some people call extreme sports but are actually ways of challenging yourself while having a very good time. I wanted to work with him, though, for the obvious reason: He makes great movies."

Mann also makes movies for leading men willing to play against type: Daniel Day-Lewis in "The Last of the Mohi-"Russell Crowe in "The Insider" and Will Smith in "Ali." Cruise has played his share of men in conflict, and

has not shied away from decidedly nonheroic roles in films such as "Magnolia" and "Rain Man." But he had never played a cold-blooded killer like Vincent.

I wanted the character to look very different from Tom Cruise," says Mann, who showed his leading man a version of himself on a computer mock-up with a gray brush cut and salt-and-pepper stubble.

"I wanted to rough up the surface appearance and give him a kind of anonymity. [Tom and I] spent months prior to filming building him into a very dynamic, tangible character, none of which is discussed specifically in the movie. But it is in there in everything he does."

Cruise says he was eager to exnlore what he calls his character's conviction that he's "really just taking out society's garbage." But he also admits he enjoyed not having to spend the final half of the film as his characters often do, "finding re-

demntion "From the outside, Vincent is com pletely comfortable in his skin, with who he is and what he does. And that kind of confidence, coupled with the skill to back it up, will always be at-tractive to a lot of people. People are always talking about 'keeping it real,' you know, but they always mean what's real for them. Their reality. And your reality and my reali-

ty are going to be very different."

Cruise considers what he has just said and laughs at the implication "I don't mean it to sound like that,

talking about his character in 'Collateral' I swear, but I do believe it. A lot of people I've met, maybe the majority, begin their interactions with other people, whether it's with their boss, or a member of the family, with the assumption that they are right. And for that reason, they can

rationalize some pretty suspect behavior. "I played Vincent as a professional who thinks he has the answers, and who makes a pretty powerful argument that most people only pretend to care more about society than their own personal lives. You don't play evil, because people like Vincent don't see themselves that way. Besides, that sort of self-certainty can be very seductive and con-vincing. It's like Churchill said about Hitler, he was glad he had never met the man, because he just might have been charmed by him."

# Rolling Stone drummer treated for cancer

Rolling Stones drummer Charlie Watts is being treated for throat cancer, a spokesman for the band said Satur-

Watts, 63, was diagnosed in June and has completed four weeks of a six-week course of radiotherapy at London's Royal Marsden Hospital.

"He is expecting to make a full recovery and start work with the rest of the band later in the year," the spokesman said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

He said Watts' treatment had not interfered with any tour or recording plans for the Stones, who have been "re-laxing between work commitments" after a world tour

Known as the most laid-back member of the band, he joined more than 40 years ago. Watts also has performed with a variety of jazz ensembles.

## Prince's studio reopened for business

Prince's Paisley Park Studios, where the mysterious pop star and other bands have recorded, has reopened for husiness

Paisley Park has largely been closed since 1996, though Prince continued to record and perform there A reception marking the studio's reopening Thursday was attended by members of the local film, music advertising communities.

"We're essentially hanging the 'open' sign out front tonight," new general manager Ron Scofield said. Paisley Park has newly digitized and upgraded recording and editing rooms available for musicians to

rent



Since the complex opened in 1987 in Minneapolis. R.E.M., George Benson and others recorded there, and Barry Manilow, the Bee Gees and Steve Miller used the studio to rehearse for concert tours

# Lil' Kim says trial is 'witch hunt'

Rapper Lil' Kim, whose perjury trial is set for early next year in New York, says the charges against her are a witch hunt against the hip hop industry Prosecutors say she lied to a grand

jury investigating a 2001 shooting allegedly involving members of her entourage. One man from a rival rap group was injured in the shooting.

Her former manager and co-defendant. Damion Butler, has been indicted for allegedly shooting a weapon during the incident and is serving a prison term on unrelated weapons

Lil' Kim. whose real name is Kim-

berly Jones, is accused of telling the grand jury that Butler was not present during the 2001 shooting. She is charged with conspiracy, perjury and obstruction.

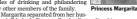
"I am completely innocent of the charges I have been accused of, and am very confident that my co-defendants and I will win this case in the courtroom," she said in a statement. "This case is a witch hunt against the hip hop industry

## **Dutch princess files for divorce**

The Netherlands' Princess Margarita, who last year aired royal dirty laundry during a fight with her aunt Queen Beatrix, is now divorcing the husband who was at the center of it all.

The spat made headlines in the Netherlands for weeks last summer as a Dutch magazine published a se ries of tell-all interviews with Marga-

She accused the Royal House of abusing its power to obtain confidential information about her husband and damage his reputation. The Royal House denied the charges, but was embarrassed by Margarita's tales of drinking and philandering by other members of the family



band. Edwin de Roy van Zuydewijn, earlier this year Dutch national broadcaster NOS said Margarita now plans to divorce Van Zuydewijn, citing Margarita's law-

# E-mail scams offer millions, make billions

BY PETE ALFANO

Knight Ridder

FORT WORTH, Texas - The caller identified himself as Barris ter Fred Omoba and said he was representing Madam Chimere. He was following up on an exchange of e-mails about transferring millions of dollars to my bank account on behalf of "Madam Rose," as he called her.

Government red tape threatened to tie up her fortune, Madam Rose had written, and she wanted to find an offshore account to stash it. I would be well compensated for my assistance

Imagine my good fortune. Not only was Madam Rose interested in sharing her wealth with me but there were at least a dozen other e-mails in my folder promising to make me an instant million-

Who needs the lottery? Anyone with an e-mail account is probably familiar with solicitations like the one from Madam Rose. In you also may have received one from her.

These are examples of ad-vance-fee fraud, or "419 fraud," so-called for the section of the penal code that addresses fraud in Nigeria, where this scam is believed to have originated.

Although the stories seem preposterous, some people can't resist these get-rich-quick schemes. beckoned by visions of early retirement, an easy way out of debt, or a life of luxury.

Someone wants you to become

# Borrowing cash online is dangerous gamble

BY HELEN HUNTLEY

St. Petersburg Times

Need some fast cash? The Internet is loaded with companies eager to provide it. They advertise small short-term loans — usually up to \$500 - with fast approval and overnight electronic delivery of the cash to your bank account Bad credit? No problem

But you'd better be the gambling type. Taking out a loan over the Internet could be even more dangerous to your financial health than borrowing money at the check cashing place down the block - and that's saving a

Payday lending is a \$25-billion-a-year industry notorious for its high interest rates: Think 400 percent and up. The concept is quick cash to tide you over until payday a week or two away. Lenders defend their rates as a reasonable alternative to banks' bad check fees.

States have cracked down on the industry's worst tactics. In Florida it is illegal to roll over a payday loan when it comes due, a practice that can trap consumers into paying hundreds or even thousands of dollars in interest without ever reducing the principal.

But rollovers are easy on the Internet. where regulation is scarce.

ternet, said Christopher Peterson, a University of Florida law professor and author of Taming the Sharks: Towards a Cure for the High-Cost Credit Market. "For state governments to effectively regu-

late Internet payday lenders is extremely challenging," he said

Don't count on regulators to police the In-

"It's not really on the radar screen for most legislators and courts.

The only good news is that low-income consumers who have the most difficulty with payday loans are less likely to have Internet

a partner in a business venture, or to help a member of royalty or the aristocracy, a denosed government official or a grieving widow transfer assets to a bank account in your name to keep it out of some government's hands.

All you have to do is pay "upfront fees" so that a bank account can be opened in your name and the funds transferred there.

The trouble is, the scam artists keep coming up with additional fees, until they have cleaned you out of your savings - or until a light finally goes on and you realize that you've been had

The FBI's Internet fraud complaint center estimates that victims of 419 fraud lose an average of \$3,400 each

"I've been in law enforcement for 27 years, and I'm amazed how

gullible and foolish people can be, from the rich and famous to the guy on the street," said Mark Lowery, special agent in charge of the Secret Service field office in Dal-

Advance-fee fraud now has spread beyond Nigeria to South Africa, Dubai and Iraq, among other countries. It is one of the most elaborate and lucrative Internet scams.

The scheme has been around for years, law enforcement officials say, originally in the form of letters or faxes. It has spread like a computer virus with the growth of the Internet.

"A vast majority of people will get a big laugh and delete the e-mail," Lowery said. "But I've seen older people throw away their life savings, thinking they

hit a great windfall. And I've seen a pretty smart business individual lose hundreds of thousands.

In Nigeria, scam artists are said to operate out of Internet cafes where they send hundreds of e-mails daily, like a fisherman casting a net. They are trying to ensnare unsuspecting "phish," as victims are called on the Internet.

Some of the more brazen come-ons ask for bank account and other personal information in the first e-mail. If you take the bait and give your phone number, you can be sure the scam artists

Barrister Omoba, representing Madam Rose and probably using an alias, spoke with an accent His voice was muffled as well. making him all the more difficult

When he eventually was informed that he was speaking to a reporter who was skeptical about the business venture, and about whether Madam Rose even existed he was undeterred

But he finally hung up when the questions persisted and he was asked to theorize why the reporter had received so many other similar e-mail propositions to share millions.

"These crooks make themselves very believable. They gain the confidence of people on the other end of phone," said Tom Kelley, a spokesman for the Texas attorney general's office. They say, 'I need a little more money, a little more,' threading it out. A lot of people send hundreds of thousands out there into

Web-based groups such as www.scamvictimsunited.com www.scamorama.com and Artists against 419 monitor the Internet and dispense advice.

Artists against 419 also con-ducts monthly "flash mobs," a vigilante effort that shut down fraudulent bank sites by overloading the servers with thousands of simultaneous "hits."

The Web site operators also use 'scam baiting" as a tactic, leading the fraudsters on, then turning over the information they gather to law enforcement agencies around the world.

"The level of our work has be come quite professional," said "Lord Vader," the screen name for a man who is a member of Artists against 419 and lives in Wiesbaden, Germany. "We have estab-lished contacts with Scotland Vard the U.S. Secret Service and South African police forces.

But the best deterrent against Internet fraud, he says, is to follow a few golden rules. The most notable: "If it sounds too good to be true, it isn't true.

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Military rates	
Japanese yen (Aug. 19)	108.00
S. Korean won (Aug. 18)	1,128
Euro	\$.7886
British pound	\$1.88
Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	0.3768
British pound	\$1.8413
Canada (Dollar)	1.3064
Denmark (Krone)	6.0284
Egypt (Pound)	6.2301
Euro	\$0.8110
Hong Kong (Dollar)	7.7991
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Iceland (Krona)	71.125
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Japan (Yen)	110.19
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Discount rate2.50
Federal funds market rate1.56
3-month bill1.470
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Sources: The Associated Press, Bank of
America, Bloomberg.com

# ents and Sensibility Money tip of the day

# Don't be baited by scams CBS MarketWatch

NEW YORK - Twenty-eight percent of adults fail to accurate-

ly identify "phishing" e-mails, re-ports MailFrontier, a company specializing in antispam and e-mail security.

To tell the real correspondence from the bait:

■ Call or send a separate e-mail to the institution. Use contact information that you know

■ Type Web addresses directly into your browser window, in-stead of following links contained in the e-mail. This will help you avoid fake sites linked to the message.

■ Give an incorrect password at the first prompt, recommends Consumer Reports. Copycat sites will accept a fake password, while real Web sites won't.

■ Check that you're submitting information over a secure Web site. You should see an un-broken key or a lock at the bottom of your browser. ble-clicking on that icon will dis-play the site's security certificate. Check that the company name matches that of the site you're visiting

Test your phishing knowledge at www.mailfrontier.com.

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## Kerry wrong on Kosovo

I read with some measure of disgusted disbelief the Aug. 8 Stars and Stripes inter-view with Sen. [John] Kerry in which he stated that "There's a great tradition of Democratic presidents who've led us in war From Franklin Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson, to President Kennedy — Bill Clinton, who managed to do Kosovo without any casualties at all." It's that last part that I must argue.

President Clinton did NOT, in fact, lead our country through the Kosovo campaign without any casualties. I can name two sol diers who died in that conflict: Kevin Reichart and David Gibbs. These men were both chief warrant officers, husbands, fathers, and U.S. cavalrymen with the Sixth Squadron, Sixth Cavalry. Were Sen. Kerry more mindful of the country's recent mili tary history (Kosovo happened during his tenure in the U.S. Senate) he might remember the ill-fated Task Force Hawk and its role in Operation Allied Force. He might remember the crash of two AH-64A Apache Attack helicopters in Albania. He might remember the sacrifices of those two fine cavalrymen. And he might remember the lessons hard-learned during that operation.

Sen. Kerry is only human, and it's not unheard-of for humans to forget something like that from time to time. But he is also a candidate for the presidency of the United States of America. If he doesn't care enough about the sacrifices of the lives of American servicepersons for the security and stability of other nations, then will he truly care enough about us if and when his turn comes in the White House? Being the Commander in Chief of the United States Armed Forces is a much bigger responsi-bility than being the "Skipper" of a small watercraft, and I wonder just how much his service in Vietnam, while apparently valiant and meritorious, qualifies him for the post

This issue alone might not be enough to disqualify him from receiving anyone's vote for President of the United States of America but I certainly hone my fellow servicemembers will think about this before they cast their ballots this November: If he forgot those two fine men in five years, will he forget me in four?

Staff Sgt. James A. Stevens III Camp Page, Korea

# **National Guard training**

Let me put my 2 cents' worth in on the training that the National Guard troops have received.

The National Guard troops that have been deployed to Iraq received all the training they needed. What they didn't receive was training in responsibility, discipline and respect. After their basic and ad vanced individual training, all three of these items were thrown out.

Most of the Guard troops over here have

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active-duty time behind them. These are not the ones doing the complaining. Prior-service troops know what to expect and go about doing their jobs with pride and responsibility. A lot of the younger Guard troops joined to get money for college. They weren't expecting to have to leave the comfort of home, where everything is done for them. They all wonder why the Guard is looked down on by the active troops. Maybe it's because we don't stay in uniform and we complain about showers and living areas and write our congressman every time something happens we don't like

I, for one, am satisfied in doing a good job to the best of my ability without complaining about every little thing. Remember, when our time is up, we go home. The active troops will go back to their post and do this all over again in six months to a vear

> Staff Sgt. Anthony Trivett FOB Summerall, Iraq

# Not working in his MOS

I find it strange that the number of soldiers in Iraq is expected to go up when there are many of us who aren't doing the job we have been trained to do

Take me, for example. The Army paid thousands and thousands of dollars to train me to be a firefighter. I've been put on duty to guard an ammo supply point, guard Iraqi truck drivers, resupply water and ice or even pick up trash.

The firefighters in our company aren't the only ones doing these details. Everyday I see other soldiers like us doing details that have nothing to do with our military occupational specialty. So, what's wrong with this picture?

We tend to approach warfare with "Let's throw numbers at 'em!" without thinking it through. I can see the critical need for soldiers with a combat MOS to be here. It's

the other side of the military, the combat support MOS, that is being overlooked.

Our country's taxpayers spend thousands of dollars training our soldiers in a particular MOS that was meant to be used during deployments. On top of that, money is added to a soldier's salary during a desyment. I'm not even factoring the cost to fly soldiers who are deployed. So basically, the military is spending millions of dollars so that several soldiers can nick un trash or go on guard duty.

I'm not saying that guarding Iraqi truck drivers isn't important, nor is picking up trash. What I am saying is that it would make more sense to put soldiers to work in the job field they've been trained in. If there's too many soldiers for the job, don't deploy them and save the taxpayer a buck or two. One example of this is the company I'm

in. An ordnance company is designed so that one platoon can run an ammo supply point. We deployed four platoons and we recently consolidated to three. One platoon runs the supply point while the rest is put to work doing details. I strongly believe that the government

and our military leaders should re-evaluate the numbers to more appropriate levels. It could save 'em a buck or two.

Snc Cedric Canton LSA Anaconda, Iraq

# Offensive song?

I have just returned with 13 months in Baghdad. I learned that our rear detachment, with the approval of my battalion commander, was to play the song "When Johnny Comes Marching Home" upon our entry into the hangar at Wiesbaden Airfield. Germany.

I also found out that a sergeant major banned the song and refused to play it because he was African American and the song had originated during the Civil War and during the time of slavery. This offended him.

I am personally appalled at this, that we break Army tradition of welcoming soldiers home from combat with this song. What could possibly be offensive about this song? Soldiers, to include African-American veterans, have used this song since the Civil War.

If this is the case, then we should ban "Gary Owen" since it was played by the 7th Cavalry upon raids of Native American villages; we should ban the Army song since it came out during the time of a segre gated Army. Those pictures of the Buffalo Soldiers should be banned, since their prime mission was to destroy Native American villages. This is really becoming more stupid, but you can see what would happen if we let political correctness overtake our heritage and traditions that make us a great country.

When will this over-sensitivity ever end? The Stars and Stripes was created in the Civil War Do we ban it too? Sgt. Thomas Kirkland

Wieshaden Germany

BY GARRY TRUDEAU

## Doonesbury







# OPINION

# Missing from the campaign trail: Potholes

BY MARY FITZGERALD The Washington Post

CHICAGO he deputy prime minister punches a man after being pelted with an egg at a party rally. The voters, shaken from their campaign torpor, cheer as the tussle is replayed on TV That same day, the prime minister is ha-rangued outside a hospital by an angry voter, and his political rival is forced to abandon canvassing after some protesters turn rowdy. An unlikely farce? No - just another day in the 2001 British general

election campaign. By contrast, the U.S. presidential campaign trail is a far more mundane affair, as seen through the eves of a visiting journalist from the United Kingdom. With everything so carefully stage-managed and re lentlessly on-message, very little is left to chance. At each rally, the candidates apnear on stage, deliver the standard stump speech with a few local tweakings, punch the air and exit stage left to be whisked away to the next city. So far, so formulaic.

Rarely do Sen. John Kerry and Presi-dent Bush meet "real people" face to face. as opposed to crowds of supporters at me ticulously organized rallies of the faithful. And the ever-present phalanx of burly Secret Service agents ensures that anvone with a gripe or an awkward question is kept very much at arm's length. It's all about the flattering but bland TV shot or photo opportunity

On the Kerry-Edwards campaign trail last week, I was struck by how little the candidates deviated from the same speeches and banalities they've been trundling out take the odd, rather contrived nod to local such as Kerry's dropping the name of the local pizza joint or ice-cream

Unscripted, genuinely spontaneous mo ments are rare - the only one that stands out is Kerry donning a cowboy hat and a guitar for an impromptu performance of "Johnny B. Goode" in Jefferson City, Mo. mostly to Teresa Heinz Kerry or the Bush twins to inject color and sass in an otherwise lackluster campaign.

The lack of spontaneity fails to dampen the crowd's enthusiasm, however. Far from it. They laugh uproariously when Kerry gives his well-worn "John Edwards was voted Sexiest Politician by People mag-. I read People magazine" spiel, though they've probably heard it before.

Many people I spoke to at several rallies were grateful simply to catch a glimpse of "someone who could be president some-day," as one woman put it. It's a far cry from the skepticism and suspicion on the campaign trail in the United Kingdom Anyone pitching a political candidate with the constant refrain "Hope is on the way would go down like a lead balloon in Bel-

Political journalists back home complain that it is becoming increasingly difficult to get access to politicians at election time. but compared with the United States it's a Daily news conferences are the norm in

Britain, and Prime Minister Tony Blair has been known to stroll through his campaign plane and have informal chats with the as-

embled journalists. No such access here. Take, for example, Edwards canvassing



with Barack Obama at a Chicago diner the day after Alan Keyes announced he was running for the Senate. Much to the reporters' chagrin, they were told that neither Edwards nor Obama would take any questions on the Keyes-Obama race, despite it being one of the big political stories of the

News conferences on the presidential campaign trail are rare and, with the Se-cret Service acting as a buffer zone between politicians and reporters, most interaction is reduced to listening to the stump speech delivered umpteen times by the ndidates. That, and consuming the stale language of news releases.

Much has been made of the influence of American-style politics on political parties in Britain, particularly on Blair's Labor Party.

Some commentators there lament the move away from good old-fashioned poli-ticking in favor of slickly choreographed campaigns, spin doctors and focus groups. But as the antics of the 2001 election campaign proved, British politicians and voters can still be relied upon for some rough-and-tumble on the hustings. Heinz Kerry would feel right at home.

Fitzgerald, of the Belfast Telegraph in Northern Ireland, is reporting for The Washington Post as a Laurence Stern Fellow.

# Playing gay card par for governor's unethical course

BY CAL THOMAS Tribune Media Services

dd "gayness" to patriotism and religion as a final refuge for scoun-

In a remarkable announcement last Thursday, Democratic Gov. James McGreevey said he would resign his office after the November general election because pressure associated with his homosexuality would not allow him to effectively do his job.

Disgraced black political figures have long played the race card to deflect criticism about wrongdoing. Some Republicans have wrapped themselves in the flag or religion for the same reason. Now we have a governor playing the "gay card," garnished with a little religion — a twofer in the self-justification Olympics.

McGreevey is indictable - figuratively and possibly literally - for plenty of things that have nothing to do with his sexual practices or his religion. Corruption was not invented in New Jersey, or by McGreevey, but it has found a bipartisan

Start with McGreevey's reputed "lover, Golan Cipel, who claims he is not gay and was sexually harassed by the governor McGreevey put him on the state payroll with a six-figure salary to look after homeland security, despite his having no qualifications for the job

Cipel is an Israeli citizen and does not have the proper security clearances to access classified documents. McGreevey aides say that Cipel tried to get \$50 million as a "cash settlement" from the governor, as well as his approval for a private medical college in the state.

Then there is William D. Watley. He re-

signed as secretary of the Commerce and Economic Growth Commission during an investigation into his former chief of staff and because of a possible conflict of interest surrounding an \$11.5 million government loan (which was ultimately canceled) for construction at the church where Watlev is pastor.

Roger Chugh, a McGreevey campaign aide in 2001, was appointed assistant secretary of state but resigned amid accusations that he offered special government treatment to businesses and also threatened businesses in order to raise campaign con-

David D'Amiano. a Democratic fund-raiser, is another person connected to McGreevey who's been accused of such practices. He has been indicted on charges that he offered a farmer government fa-

vors in exchange for \$40,000 in campaign contributions. Both Gary Taffet, McGreevey's chief of

staff, and Paul Levinsohn, the governor's chief counsel, resigned, and a federal grand jury is investigating whether their billboard company benefited financially from their government connections. Taffet has also been charged with insider trading by the Securities and Eychange Commission

All of this has occurred during a -and-a-half-year-old administration But in New Jersey, it's usual business.

Taking religious refuge, McGreevey said he doesn't believe God deliberately keeps people down. He's right. People make their own choices and benefit, or not, based on their decisions.

McGreevey then performed a little theological sleight of hand. He said he believed that "God enables all things to work for the

greater good." That's a reference to Romans 8:28. But McGreevey left out the rest: "to those who have been called according to his purpose

What about McGreevey's current wife (a former wife left him), who stood beside him and held his hand? We have seen this "stand by your man" tableau before, most recently with Hillary Clinton, but also with Lee Hart (wife of the wanderer Gary Hart) and Effi Barry (former wife of the former Washington, D.C., mayor Marion Barry). How sad to see these women trotted out

to give their husbands moral cover for their immoral acts. They might as well be saying, "I'd like to thank my wife for standing by me and demeaning herself, because I have been a jerk with little concern for HER feelings."

New Jersey needs a political exorcism, but in a state run by a Democrat machine, who can effectively play the integrity card?

## Mallard Fillmore

BY BRUCE TINSLEY



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## Leaning to the left

NE BROKEN BOW -Custer County Chief publisher Deb McCaslin admits her newspaper, at least for a week, was leftist.

But not in the way most media critics would pre sume

The weekly Chief was printed backward so the front page opened to the left instead of the right as do most peri-

McCaslin said the newspaper matched the edition to International Left-handers Day

"Sometimes, you have to have fun." she said In addition to a story on prod-

ucts for left-handers on the shelves of stores in Broken Bow, the newspaper listed famous people who were known to be southpaws

# Carjacker jailed for life

RI PROVIDENCE — The last of five defendants in a case that embodied fears of random urban violence was sentenced to four consecutive life terms without narole and another 30 years for the murders of two college students who begged for their lives after a carjacking.
A jury found Kenneth Day, 25,

guilty on nine counts of murder, robbery, carjacking and conspiracy. His lawyer said he would appeal.

Amy Shute, 21, and Jason Burge son, 20, were killed in June 2000 after a group of men carjacked their SUV in Providence and drove them to a construction site about five miles away. The men split \$18 in change taken from the couple, and two of them took the SUV

Day said in court Monday that he was willing to apologize to the victims, "But they don't want to hear that. There is nothing I can do or sav

# The superhero store

SIOUX CITY — Like a per-sistent superhero, a comic book store has avenged two close defeats to claim the industry's top

ACME Comics & Collectibles recently captured the 2004 "Spirit of Comics" Retailer Award, given to the industry's best book store of the year. Owners Kevin and Fran McGar-

ry, who had been a runner-up for the honor for the past two years, are marveling at the accomplishment awarded at the Comic-Con convention in San Diego. Their small independent store in

Sioux City beat out several large chains that operate in bigger metro areas - including Superman and Incredible Hulk. Their store carries comic books

and graphic novels from 79 different publishers, from industry gi-ants Marvel and DC Comics to small independents.

## Can't study for this test

HOUSTON - Schools across Texas are adding random drug testing and increased locker inspections this year, officials say

At least three school districts in the Houston area will begin ran-dom drug testing this year. One company that provides testing for Texas schools has signed up nearly 30 districts across the state



# Strip clubs on the block

MA SPRINGFIELD — City councilors in this western Massachusetts city are scheduled to vote on regulations to ban strip clubs and other adult businesses from residential and some industrial areas. The city planning board has approved the restrictions. The downtown area already has five strip clubs.

# **Activists: Plant pollutes**

TX DUBLIN — The Altamaha River is being polluted by a recycling plant, environmental volunteers say. James Holland, a member of the Altamaha River-keeper, sued SP Newsprint for sending plastic trash into the river. The paper company insists it's working to reduce accidental re-lease of plastic bags and says it's complying with state pollution stan-

## State all dried up

NV RENO — A Las Vegas shopping center is trucking in water from as far away as Canada to fill its fountains Reno will have to dip into its drought reserve supply for the first time in a decade. The most popular public ramp on the Nevada side of Lake Tahoe is closed because there's not enough water to float a boat.

Nevada is not only the fastest



I do!

Petty Officer 1st Class Matt Brink holds an engagement ring as he hugs his fiancée, Catherine McLemore, after asking her to marry him, as the USS Leyte Gulf returned to Norfolk, Va.

growing state in the nation, it's also one of the driest. And it keeps getting drier.

"There is no question that the state, from Lake Tahoe in northern Nevada to Lake Mead in southern Nevada is in the midst of a difficult drought," Gov. Kenny Guinn said

Officials with the U.S. Farm Services Agency in Nevada are scheduled to meet to decide whether to recommend a disaster area declaration to the gov-ernor and federal Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman. All 17 counties received the designation last

Reno has received only 0.24 inches of rain this month and hasn't seen a decent rainfall since June 9. Las Vegas has received 0.2 inche of rain this month, almost half of that in a storm Aug. 1 that tied a rainfall record for the date of 0.09 inches

## Peak voltage

NH MOUNT WASHINGTON - Electricity and fiberop tic communications are coming to the top of Mount Washington, the Northeast's highest peak and site of some of the world's worst weather. Engineers will run the transmission line near the Mount Washing. ton Cog Railway. The transmission line will replace kerosene generators for the weather observatory and a National Park Service build ing at the summit.

# Abuse support group

KS WICHITA — The Roman Catholic Diocese of Wichita says it will establish an ecumenical support group for victims of sexual abuse by clergy. The diocesan review board has met with The Link-Up a national advocacy orgaization for victims of clergy sexual abuse. No timetable has been set for starting the group.

## Abortion notification

CO DENVER - Abortion opponents are questioning the effectiveness of a new law requiring doctors to notify a minor's parents before performing an abortion. A provision of the law allows girls to seek a judge's permission to bypass the requirement.
Planned Parenthood of the Rocky
Mountains has paired 66 girls with attorneys who volunteer for bypass cases. It says none of the girls who decided to go before a judge was denied

# **Boiling water advised**

EVANSVILLE — Residents on the city's west side are being advised to boil their water for the next few days after more than 100 million gallons of water spilled from a broken water main connection. Thousands of resi-dents had no water at all, according to the company that manages the city's water and sewer utility

## Inmates could lose work

MT DEER LODGE — A federal demand for greater scrutiny of truck drivers could affect Montana's effort to train felons for work after their release. Under the Patriot Act, commercial drivers with certain felony convictions are prohibited from transporting haz-ardous materials. That curbs the employment outlook for some of the 25-30 inmates a year who com-plete the truck-driver training program at the Montana State Pri



Magnificent dives Members of the Extreme Team Divers for Sacco Shows, Rvan Peschke, top, Jen Busby, middle, and Emily McAuliff synchronize their dives during a show at the Illinois State Fair in Springfield, Ill.



A surfer hangs on as he rides one of the Surf's up. dude bigger than normal waves provided by Hurricane Charley at Burkes Beach on Hilton Head Island, S.C.



Eniah Alford, 4, wears face paint at Unity Prrrr-fect face Day on the Parkway in Philadelphia.



Tough moment

Morgan Sickles, 12, of Pewaukee, Wis., shares a moment with her dog, George, a pulsor by the work of the Wissers of the Marshfield Area Kennel Club Dog Shows at the Central Wisconsin State Fairgrounds in Marshfield. Wis



All play, no work Sisters Mary, right, and Grace Ott, from Page County, Va., play a racing video game next to some of their family's cows while killing time in one of the livestock barns at the Prince William County Fair in Manassas, Va.



One hot meal

Ramon Nava eats a plate of jalapeno peppers during Mexican Fiesta's jalapeno eating contest at the
festival grounds in Racine. Wis.



New York kisses

David and Nadine Billotti of New York participate in the "kiss-In" as their Square. The event commemorates the legendary lip lock when a sailor and a nurse, sculpture at left, rejoiced over the end of World War III.

## Skyline scuffle

MONTEREY — Plans for a large commercial wind farm are drawing complaints from some residents, who say towering windmills would mar the stunning vistas that give Highland County the nickname "Virginia's Switzerland"

Landowner Henry T. McBride and his company, Highland New Wind Development LLC, have saked the county Board of Supervisors for a conditional-use permit to erect as many as 22 wind turbines on 3,000 acres near the West Virginia border. The windmills would be up to 400 feet high.

Board Chairman Robin Sullenberger said the supervisors will have to balance the potential revenues the farm could bring to the cash-strapped locality against the impact on the magnificent vistas that attracts visitors.

## **Battle for the Strip**

CA WEST HOLLYWOOD — The city is placing a velvet rope around the Sunset Strip, trying to control which clubs and eateries use the storied nickname, but some businesses say they're trying to rewrite history.

West Hollywood leaders say the famous moniker should apply solely to a 1.7-mile stretch of Sunset Boulevard within the city's limits.

To stake its claim, the city has hung banners proclaiming "Sunset Strip — Only in West Hollywood" on street lights, and it's considering building a formal "gateway" to West Hollywood along the boulevard.

"It's frustrating when West Hollywood is misidentified," said Brad Burlingame, president of the West Hollywood Convention and Visitors Bureau. "If they said Rodeo Drive is in Los Angeles, people in Beverly Hills would have a fit."

# Home insurer refunding

AUSTIN — Allstate, the state's second-largest home insurer, will begin issuing refunds totaling \$60 million to Texas policy holders, the company announced.

A Texas Department of Insurance spokesman said the refunds are part of a rate rollback ordered by Commissioner Jose Montemayor last year.

The one-time refund to about 686,000 customers represents 8.75 percent of the premiums paid on home insurance policies with effective dates from Sept. 7, 2003, through Sept. 6, 2004, the company said. Allstate had already issued a 10.1 percent refund last year.

## Screeners arrested

NEW YORK — Four federal security screeners were charged with stealing watches, jewelry and other property from baggage at two New York City airports, authorities said.

One screener was accused of

stealing \$40 in cash, watches and rings from luggage sent by undercover detectives through screening at the American Airlines terminal at John F. Kennedy International Airport.

The other defendants are accused of stealing from bags at La Guardia airport's Continental Airlines terminal in May.

All four screeners worked for the Transportation Security Administration, the agency created after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks. TSA employees are authorized to open bags to search for explosives and banned items

# Student named to board

MONTPELIER — A sophomore at Mount Anthony Union High School has been appointed to the state Board of Education

Lindy Caslin takes up her new duties immediately.

"Lindy was very enthusiastic about serving Vermont as a member of the state Board of Education," Gov. James Douglas said. "She is energetic and engaging, and will take the responsibility of representing all of our students very seriously."

The State Board of Education, which supervises the Vermont Department of Education and many aspects of the public school system, consists of eight adult members and two student members.

Student members are appointed to two-year terms. Marissa Cormier, appointed by Douglas in 2003, is the ranking student on the board. She recently began the second year of her two-year term.

# **ID** theft charges

NC CONCORD — Three people have been charged in an identity theft case in which computers, clothing and luggage were obtained using stolen credit card information taken with a portable card reader.

Police said they had recovered about \$6,000 worth of goods obtained in Concord and the Winston-Salem area.

Authorities believe a portable credit card reader, or skimmer, was used to read personal information off a credit card's magnetic strip. Then those details were applied to the strip on the back of a different card.

Police are still investigating the

case from last and have asked for help from the U.S. Secret Service office in Charlotte.

# Animal workers fired

RU EAST PROVIDENCE City Manager William Fazioii has fired the city's animal-control officer and the four other employees who staffed the municipal animal shelter, for what he says was a "willful failure" to protect visitors and animals alike from the spread of rabies.

Fazioli announced the dismissals after reviewing the results of a three-week police investigation into how and why a rabid raccoon ended up in the city-run shelter, and ended up being petted and touched by more than 50 people.

# Alleged attack stopped PA ELIZABETH TOWNSHIP

—A nurse's aide at a personal-care home fought with a man who was allegedly sexually assaulting a wheelchair-bound woman before breaking free and summoning help.

The aide, Mary Briggs, allegedly found Dwight Hill with the 79-year-old woman. Hill. 44, who lived at the home

and worked there as a handyman, was arraigned. He was charged with involuntary deviate sexual intercourse, indecent assault and two counts of simple assault.

Stories and photos from wire services

# J Horoscope

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The Libra moon could have you searching for your other half. Whether your focus is love or business, you get the feeling that the right partner could take you Joyce Jillson all the way with your endeavors. This is partially true, but be sure you're doing all you can on your own - it's the only way to attract the support you need. Your aesthetic sense

## is important. TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (August 19). You feel sionate about exploring

and growing your gifts. Loved ones help you launch into a dream project in the next 10 weeks. Your resources grow as you network does, so make plenty of public appearances through January vou have the charismatic power to attract just the people who will make your life more enjoyable.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). As the sign of all things fresh and new, you'll once again be representing the cutting edge. Expect a mixed reaction. Physically, you're at a high. It's the perfect day to try supplements or exercise techniques

# TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

You're not a beast of burden, but when friends and family lay their heaviness on you, you could mistak enly take it on as your own. The day's lessons include learning to be empathetic without needing to "save" anvone.

# GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

You'd rather wing it than plan a single event today, but do give a thought to where you'll be five years from now (how boring! how impossible! what for?). No matter how you protest, the future is based on actions taken today

## CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're anxious to find a way around

tedious work. Do brainteasers and crossword puzzles (or whatever your mental exercise of choice may be). The experiences around the comer require you to be in fine intellectual shape.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're going through a growth spurt in your personal life. Small wins help you get back in touch with that sense of

exhilaration you felt as a child when you accomplished something that surprised you - "Hey, Mom, look at

## VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Social graces help you plot a cours

to popularity. It's not that you care about being liked, but it's easier to find your way when friends in all ports are pointing you in the right direction. Plus, you prefer operating in a refined world.

# LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Loved

ones depend on you for almost everything, a phenomenon that has you feeling a little put out. Consider that by allowing others to let you do all the thinking,

## you're making them weak. Let dear ones fend for themselves SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

The stars act together to double your pleasure (your pain, your money and your inconvenience). Whatever you think will happen happens times two. Planning for unexpected costs is the surest way not to get caught off guard.

# SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.

21). You're a skilled risk taker, and your fortune multiplies when you make educated financial leaps Moral dilemmas arise. You don't have to sell out to achieve what you want - in fact, not selling out is exactly the point.

# CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

19). The lighter you are - physicallv. mentally and spiritually - the more gracefully you'll be able to navigate through the tricky turns this day brings. Leave the old baggage behind. All you really need would fit into a tiny pouch.

## AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When the situation calls for seeing the best in people, you're the one for

the job. Others will rise to your opinion of them. You're greeted by smiling faces everywhere you go because you yourself are wearing a friendly grin.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're tempted to let your problems consume you. Don't give them that kind of power! In three days, you'll realize you were making mountains out of molehills. You must take time to nourish your spirit.

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# **Eugene Sheffer Crossword**

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# **Searching for paths to recovery**

Dear Abby: I'm writing concerning the letter from the 15-year-old girl, "Needs Closure in Georgia," whose grandfather committed suicide. You suggested she write a letter to him, and then to burn it.

Another useful technique is to sit opposite an empty chair and speak your heart to the person you need to communicate with I wasn't getting on with my life after my husband died, and it worked for me.

- Doing Better in Millbrae, Calif. Dear Doing Better Thank you for the helpful suggestion. Many readers were touched by that girl's letter and wanted to reach out to her.

Dear Abby: When my grandmother died, my father and his wife planted a small rose garden. Over the years, as we have lost family members (including pets), added in their honor. It is neaceful and comforting to sit among the blooming roses and think of our loved ones. It feels like they

haven't really left us. - Remembering in Arizona Dear Remembering: I believe you. After Cary Grant Dear Abby

passed away, his widow, Barbara, gave my mother a rose bush that had been named for her husband. Mama, who had been very fond of both of them, planted it outside her office window and when the roses were in bloom, it gave her many hours of

Dear Abby: I found

"The Grief Recovery Handbook," by John W. James and Russell Friedman, to be extremely helpful. My grandfather committed suicide more than 25 years ago when I was in seventh grade, and my parents didn't want us to tell anyone what happened, which didn't help at all. Perhaps "Needs Closure"

could organize a memorial ser vice with a local church, depending on what is going to be done with his ashes. If that's not possible, she should reach out to other family members and grieve with them. I hope they do not feel

embarrassed about the suicide.

— Loyal Reader in Saipan Dear Loyal Reader: One thing is certain: She should not suffer alone and in silence.

Dear Abby: Your advice was right on the money. I was away when my best friend dropped dead of a heart attack.

I wrote him a letter telling him what his friendship had meant to me. It is now 2004, and I still write letters to him. What started as a way to bring closure became the beginning of a wonderful

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- J. in Oceanside, Ore. Letters for this column — with your name and phone number — should be addressed to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69440.

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form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Yesterday's

Jumbles: **EPOCH** PIRATE Answer What the class considered the driving instructor's dog - TEACHER'S "PET

# Meningitis a little-known ki

Dear Annie: Students are heading back to school this time of year. but many of them are unaware that they may be at risk for meningitis infection.

August is Meningitis Awareness and Prevention Month. Meningitis is a serious, sometimes fatal infection causing inflammation of the membranes that protect the brain and spinal cord. The symptoms develop rapidly and are similar to the flu. Meningitis is difficult to diagnose, which is why vaccination against this disease is the best protection

I know because I contracted meningococcal meningitis my freshman year of college, which resulted in a loss of nine of my toes, and part of the septum in my nose and palate in the roof of my mouth. I didn't know what meningitis was or that there are preventive methods available, and I found out the hard way

Although meningitis can affect people of any age, young chil-



dren are most suscepti-ble. That is why they Annie's Mailbox should receive the vaccine to protect them against invasive pneumococcal disease, the most common cause of meningitis in infants and young children. Young adults, especially those in college, the military or other large group settings, should be immunized with the meningococcal vac-

To find out more about meningitis, your readers can call us at 1-800-668-1129 or visit our Web site at www.musa.org. Please make your readers aware that there are preventive measures that can be taken to protect themselves and their families from this terrible disease

Sincerely, - Ryan Pike, Development Director, Meningitis Foundation of America, Indianapolis, Ind. Dear Ryan Pike: Thank you for this timely warning. Ple

readers, if any of your family

members are going to be spending the coming year in a group setting, talk to your doctor about appropriate vaccinations for

meningitis. Dear Annie: My husband and I were married two years ago in a very thrown-together wedding, three weeks before moving overseas. As a result, we could not invite many people. We will be returning to the States

next year and have told our

for gifts?

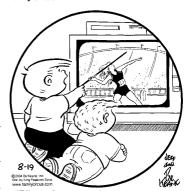
families that we will hold a wed-

ding reception. At that time, we will have been married for three years. Is it improper to register

Dear Jennifer: It is fine to register, and those guests who did not send you a gift when you first married will no doubt wish to do so now. Congratulations. ie's Mailbox is written by Kathy

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Kyle Green reads information Monday about the six models of caskets made by the Universal Casket Co. and sold at the Costco Wholesale in

# Caskets — Aisle 5

# Retail, wholesale giant Costco begins test marketing coffins

BY DON BABWIN The Associated Press

CHICAGO - Whether you're in the market for a good night's sleep or the eternal kind, one

store at least has you covered. Costco Wholesale Corp., better known for bulk chicken and cases of soda, started test marketing caskets alongside mattresses at a North Side Chicago store Monday. They're also being sold at a

suburban Oak Brook store. This is certainly something that can be an easy value," said Gina Bianche, a buyer in Costco's corporate office in Issaquah, Wash. "I don't 44A casket at

Costco, yeah, I want to say cheap value, but it just think it's pretty needs to bizarre. Each of the six

Inga Barth, 53 models from the Universal Casket Costco shopper Co., in colors including lilac and

Neapolitan blue, is priced at \$799.99, made of 18-gauge steel, considered medium weight for caskets, and can be delivered within 48 hours.

Caskets can already be purchased directly from manufacturers, in funeral supply stores and over the Internet, but big general merchandise stores had stayed away from selling caskets until now, said David Walkinshaw, a spokesman for the National Funeral Directors Association.

At a Costco on Chicago's North Side, shoppers checking out the new casket kiosk Monday seemed to like the idea that the same store where they buy so many things for this life was branching into the afterlife.

"A casket at Costco, yeah, I think it's pretty bizarre," said Inga Barth, 53. She wondered about buying a casket with only a kiosk and small samples of the caskets' material to look over. though, saying, "When you go casket shopping, you want to see the whole thing

Others liked the idea of being able to shop for the casket long before a loved one's death. Too often, that is a time when the survivors are distressed, under time constraints and may feel they are at the mercy of funeral homes.

"I remember my mom was sup posed to get a plain pine box for my dad and she walked out with mahogany," said Gretchen Hen-

Those involved in arranging funerals were not as enthusiastic about discount retailers moving in on their business, especially

one with 42 million cardholders and 324 locations

in 36 states.
"If you take the casket out of the equation and the casket is pur-chased in a retail environment, then that portion of the funeral director's profit center will

disappear and the funeral director must respond to that," said George Lemke, executive director of the Casket and Funeral Supply Association

Asked if that meant raising pric-es, he replied: "That's entirely possible

Costco is prepared for that, said Fred Elsner, general manager of the North Side store. When casket buyers dial the phone number on the brochure. "We will put them in touch with funeral homes that are part of the program," he said.

The brochure says buyers can cut their overall funeral costs by more than 30 percent that way. But Lemke said the funeral home working with Costco might not be the one the family planned to deal

While caskets can costs several thousand dollars, some funeral homes do sell them for even less than Costco is charging, he said. Walkinshaw, who also works as

a funeral director in the Boston area, said he has caskets ranging from \$350 to about \$8,000. He also thinks Costco won't cut into the business of funeral homes.



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# JAPAN TV (BS7)

8:00 Olympics: Swimming/ Judo/ Track and Field/ Gymnastics/ Basketball Women: Japan vs. Australia

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Evening 8:00 Olympics: Hockey Women: Japan vs. New Zealand /Judo 11:55 CNN News 12:00 Olympics: Softball — Japan vs. Italy /

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# JAPAN TV (BS11)

Morning
8:35 World News Hour
9:50 Aerobics
Afternoon
3:30 Wonderful Nature
4:00 Nettal Tropical Jazz Big Band

1:00 NMK News 8:00 Italian Movie (1970): I Girasoli (1:45) 11:00 AIDS Charity Concert: Beyonce, Peter Gabriel, Queen, Bono 12:15 French Movie (2000): Le Gout des Au-tres (1:45)

7:30 TV Series: Friends Afternoon 3:00 U.S. Movie (2001): Behind Enemy Lines (1:50)

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8:00 U.S. Movie (2002): John Q. (2:00)
12:00 TV Series: Sex and the City #62-#66
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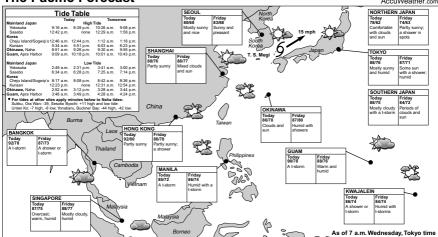
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# The Pacific Forecast

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## **Extended Forecasts**

TOKYO Saturday: Partly sunny, high 80, low 67. Sunday: Mostly cloudy, high 78, low 66.

## KADENA

Saturday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 89, low 81. Sunday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 91, low 83.

## SEOUL

Saturday: Periods of clouds and sunshine, high 82, low 66. Sunday: Mostly cloudy, high 81, low 67.

## MANILA Saturday: Thunderstorms,

high 87, low 74. Sunday: Thunderstorms, high 86, low 73.

## HAGATNA

Saturday: Thunderstorms, high 88, low 74. Sunday: Thunderstorms, high 85. low 73.

# Tuesday's USA Temperatures

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CITY	HIGH/LOW	CITY	HIGH/LOW
Albuquerque	83/62	Los Angeles	82/65
Amarillo	87/62	Little Rock	91/69
Anchorage	81/57	Louisville	87/66
Asheville	80/60	Miami	93/79
Baltimore	83/63	Milwaukee	78/62
Birmingham	88/65	Nashville	87/65
Bismarck	87/58	New York	79/68
Boise	76/59	Omaha	84/66
Boston	74/62	Orlando	92/75
Brownsville	94/76	Philadelphia	85/68
Buffalo	81/62	Phoenix	95/82
Burlington	80/59	Pittsburgh	80/59
Charleston, S	C 87/73	Portland, OR	84/62
Charlotte	88/67	Portland, ME	76/57
Cleveland	81/62	Salt Lake City	83/61
Columbus, Ol		St. Louis	88/69
Duluth	75/58	San Antonio	93/70
El Paso	82/64	San Diego	75/66
Hartford	80/58	San Juan	91/78
Helena	85/58	Tampa	91/76
Indianapolis	84/64	Tulsa	95/66
Jacksonville	90/72	Washington	84/67
Kansas City	91/69	Wichita	92/68



# U.S. Extended Forecast

A frontal boundary will stall in the northeastern United States Thursday into Friday and keep the chance of a shower or thunderstorm in the forecast. The Southeast will have just a small chance of an afternoon shower or thunderstorm through Thursday, with an increasing chance toward the weekend. The Gulf Coast and Florida will receive a few Gulf breeze showers and thunderstorms around each day, especially in the afternoon. Unsettled weather is expected in the Great Lakes through Friday. Pop-up showers and thunderstorms will continue in the Rockies, although the Desert Southwest will experience a decrease in activity toward the weekend. Dry and seasonable weather will be featured along most of the West Coast.

## Thursday's Pacific Temperatures

# Thursday's World Temperatures

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# Eddie Cotton August 21 from 1700 to 2100

Live on keyboards in the dining room

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Enjoy the smooth sounds of live jazz in the dining room

# Soul Train Night XXXIV August 28 from 2100 to 0200

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Prime Rib Night Saturdays



Monday - Friday 0630-2100 Saturday & Sunday 0730-2100



# Giants' Manning to get his first NFL start

ALBANY, N.Y. - Eli Manning is going to get a chance to open the season as the New York Giants' starting quarterback

Coach Tom Coughlin made that clear Tuesday, announcing that Manning, the No. 1 pick in the NFL Draft, will start ahead of two-time MVP Kurt Warner in the preseason game Thursday against the Carolina Panthers.

"The decision coming in was that they were going to compete for the job," Coughlin said. "Therefore, we are going to give both of them the opportunity to start, and this week is Eli's oppor-

Warner started on Friday in a 34-24 victory over the Kansas City Chiefs



Coughlin said his decision had nothing to do with that game. The new Giants coach planned all along to start Manning in the second preseason game, but he didn't tell either player.

Last week, Coughlin said the

race for the starting job was even. "I didn't know what their feeling was; how they were going to go into the preseason," Manning said. "I guess they want to give me a shot to see how I do against a starting defense and see if I can

manage a game well." Warner did not seem upset.

"The only fair way in a competitive situation like this is to give guys the same opportunity," Warner said. "It wasn't a surprise. It wasn't disappointing. It's art of the deal I expected going in, and leave it at that

Warner completed three of seven passes for 49 yards against the Chiefs.

Manning, who was given a six-year, \$45 million contract, was 7-for-13 for 91 yards on Friday.

Raiders: Offensive lineman Robert Gallery, Oakland's top draft pick chosen No. 2 overall in April, suffered a right elbow injury during practice Monday.

Gallery was taken to a hospital for tests. X-rays were negative. Gallery met with a team doctor and said the elbow was sprained

he would be sidelined

"We'll see how it comes along and get back out there when I can deal with it," he said. "It's not a hig deal?

Eagles: Defensive end N.D. Kalu will miss the season after he tore the anterior cruciate liga-ment in his right knee during Tuesday's practice. Kalu started 16 games last year and finished third on the Eagles with 5½ sacks.

Dolphins: Miami 32-year-old wide receiver Antonio Freeman on Monday.

Freeman had 14 catches last season for Green Bay

The Dolphins lost offseason acquisition David Boston for the season on Aug. 6 with a torn tendon in his knee. Kendall Newson, who tore his left Achilles' tendon Saturday night

Falcons: Will Overstreet was placed on injured reserve Monday, the third straight year the de fensive end's season has ended

early due to a shoulder injury. Vikings: Starting cornerback Brian Williams is expected to miss at least two weeks with a sprained left knee and might not be available for the Vikings' season opener Sept. 12 against Dal-las. Williams was injured during Saturday's exhibition game.

Redskins: Demoted to third string two weeks ago, former start-ing safety Ifeanyi Ohalete was cut on Tuesday. Ohalete's days were numbered when the team drafted free safety Sean Taylor.

# Simms outshines Palmer

TAMPA. Fla. - The sharpest young quarterback on the field was Chris Simms, not Carson Palmer.

Simms, the second-year pro competing with Brian Griese for Tampa Bay's No. 2 job, completed 12 of 15 passes for 110 vards to help the Buccaneers to a 20-6 victory

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over the Cincinnati Ben gals on Monday night. "So far, so good," the son of former New York Giants quarterback Phil Simms said

"It was great to get out there and play someone else besides our defense. I had a lot of fun and definitely got some good experience."

Palmer, the first pick in the 2003 draft, made his first start since college for the Bengals. The Heisman Trophy winner threw an interception on the game's opening possession and left the game after leading his team to a field goal on the other series he worked

Jon Kitna replaced him and was 7-for-15 for 58 yards. The Bengals wasted an opportunity to score a touchdown when Kitna lofted a perfectly thrown ball to a wide-open T.J. Houshmandzadeh, but the receiver failed to stay in bounds in the end zone. "Our mistakes pretty much told the

story," Bengals coach Marvin Lewis said noting that his team hurt itself with dropped passes and turnovers.

The coach, however, thought Palmer managed the offense well.

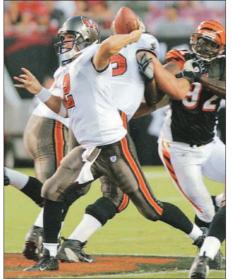
"Stats aren't football." Lewis said.

Palmer gave himself a favorable review. "I'm not happy with the outcome, but we did some good things along with the mis-takes," Palmer said. "I felt weird, but I felt great. It's just been so long since I played in an actual game

Chris Perry, Cincinnati's first-round pick this year, also got off to a shaky start. The running back fumbled on his first carry, setting up the first of two TDs that Earnest Graham scored for Tampa Bay. The preseason opener was delayed two

days because of Hurricane Charley. "I've seen quite a few hurricanes in my

lifetime." Brooks said. "Obviously, the pic-tures tell a thousand words, but to see it in person tells even more. Your heart goes



Tampa Bay's Chris Simms (2) completed 12 of 15 passes for 110 yards against Cincinnati on Monday. Quarterback Carson Palmer, the Bengals' top pick in 2003, made his first NFL start and completed three of eight passes for 74 yards and one interception.

Palmer completed three of eight passes for 74 yards. After Ronde Barber's interception spoiled his first series, the second-year pro led an eight-play, 60-yard drive that produced Shayne Graham's 36-yard field goal.

Perry, the 26th pick in this year's draft, missed the first 11 days of training camp before ending his contract holdout last week. The former Michigan star fumbled after

gaining 1 yard to his own 19 on his first carry. Tampa Bay's DeVone Claybrooks recovered, setting up Earnest Graham's TD that made it 13-3.

Perry finished with 19 yards and four

Brad Johnson started at quarterback for Tampa Bay and completed all three of his passes on the only series he worked, moving the Bucs from their 37 to the Cincinnati 2 before settling for Gramatica's 20-yard

Griese replaced Simms, a third-round draft pick in 2003, midway through the third quarter.

The former Denver starter was 7-for-11 for 96 yards and directed the fourth-quarter drive that produced Graham's second touchdown.

Wide receivers Tim Brown and Joev Galloway started and played one snap in their

Tampa Bay debuts. Bucs running back Charlie Garner sat out with a sore ham-

Cincinnati receiver Chad Johnson played sparingly and had two receptions for 32 yards. Bengals third-string quarterback Casey Bramlet was 6-for-11 for 41 yards.

## Seahawks 21. Packers 3

GREEN BAY, Wis. - Fourth-string quarterback Seneca Wallace led Seattle on two touchdown drives and the Seahawks took advantage of Tim Couch's dismal debut for Green Bay on Monday night.

Matt Hasselbeck, who wasn't bothered by much of a pass rush, completed five of nine passes for 56 yards for Seattle before giving way to Wallace, who was 14-for-26 for 135 yards and a score.

Green Bay's Brett Favre completed five of seven passes for 43 yards in two series, the first of which ended on Ryan Longwell's 47-yard field goal and the second in a punt after overthrowing Donald Driver on what would have been a 46-vard touch-

With Seattle's No. 2 and 3 quarterbacks, Trent Dilfer and Brock Huard, out with ack spasms, Wallace played most of the game. His 2-yard touchdown toss to Jerheme Urban made it 14-3 just before halftime and his 19-yard completion to Chris Davis set up Kerry Carter's 1-yard TD plunge with 3:44 left in the game.

Couch finished 2-for-11 for 18 yards and was sacked twice. Couch, a former No. 1 draft pick who served as Cleveland's starter most of the past five years, wasn't re-leased by the Browns in time to get a jump-start on Green Bay's intricate offense in the June minicamp, and he has struggled during training camp.

Couch repeatedly overthrew or underthrew his receivers, was indecisive in the pocket and unable to shake a troublesome hitch in his delivery. He often threw right into the face of defensive linemen bearing down on him.

Couch's day came to a finish on a series in which he held the ball too long and was sacked, then threw right into the swatting hands of defensive end Omar Nazel as he backnedaled from pressure near his own

The loudest cheer from the crowd of 69,718 came when Doug Pederson re-placed Couch in the third quarter. Pederson completed five of 10 passes for 55

The Packers may not admit it, but it was evident Monday they miss Mike McKen-zie, their recalcitrant cornerback who has skipped all offseason workouts in search of

His replacement in the starting lineup, Michael Hawthorne, surrendered two first downs on third-and-long situations on Seattle's first touchdown drive, and first-round draft pick Ahmad Carroll was called for pass interference, negating Mark Roman's interception in the second quarter.

# AFN schedule

# Television

AFN-Pacific/Korea/Atlantic THU., Aug. 19, at 1;30 am. — 2004 Summer Olympic Games: Swimming: Track and field: women's shot put final; Women's beach vol-leyball: McPeak/Youngs (USA) vs. Schny-der-Benoit/Kuhn (SUI), (live); Cycling: men's time trial.

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At William H.G. Fitzgerald Tennis Cente Washington Purse: \$500,000 (Intl. Series) Surface: Hard-Outdoor Singles First Round

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Marlene Weingartner (8), Germany, def.
Emmanuelle Gagliardi, Switzerland, 6-3, 3-6,

2. Rita Grande, Italy, def. Virginie Razzano,

France, 6-1, 6-2. Mashona Washington, United States, def. Marissa Irvin, United States, 6-2, 6-4.

Monday's transactions

BASEBALL
American League
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALLchicago Cubs RHP Kerry Wood

Deals

Miami at Tampa Bay Cincinnati at Atlanta Detroit at Baltimore Cleveland at Kansas City

New England at Ca Oakland at Arizona

**Tennis** 

ys. Dominican Republic; Cycling; women's time trial; Canoeing.
FRI., Aug. 20, at 1:39 a.m. – 2004 Summer Olympic Games: Swimming; Men's beach volleyball: Holdren/Metzger (USA) vs. Ricardor-Fannauel (BRA), (Heye; Rowing: Canoeing, FRI., Aug. 20, at 9 a.m. – 2004 Summer Olympic Games: Women's gymmastics: individual all-around final; Swimming; men's 200m backstroke final, men's 200m flotividus il medley final, women's 200m breaststroke inal, women's 100m freestyle final; Wom-en's back volleyball; May/Walsh (USA) vs

lovakova/Celbova (CZE). FRI., Aug. 20, at 1:35 p.m. — 2004 Summer Normaic Games: Men's volleyball: USA vs. Russia. SAT., Aug. 21, at 1:30 a.m. – 2004 Summer Olympic Games: Swimming: Track and field: men's 10.000m final (live); Beach volleyball.

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inta vs. ľos Angeles. FRI., Aug. 20, at 8 p.m. – 2004 Summer llympic Games: Tennis; men's singles semi-nal (live); Women's basketball: USA vs. pain (live); Women's water polo: USA vs.

# Japan baseball

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Indianapolis	1	0	0 1.000	21	17
Tennessee	1	0	0 1.000	24	3

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BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

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kevin Zurek and TE Deltan Dubuc. Placed RB
ason Anderson on injured reserve.

MIAMI DOLPHINS—Signed WR Antonio
reeman to a one-year contract extension. Freeman to a one-year contract and G Greg
Jerman to a one-year contract extension.
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Waived-injured CB Alphonso Roundtree.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS—Signed TE Benjamin Watson to a Six-year contract.
NEW YORK JETS—Signed CB Andrew Davi-

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Ducks for a 2005 Second-road draft pick.
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
LOS ANGELES GALAXY—Fired Sigi Schmid,
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oach. OAKLAND—Named Jennifer Perkins wom o's assistant soccer coach.

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**Celtics still waiting** to hear from Payton

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Aaron Goodwin,

WALTHAM, Mass. - Ten days after trading for Gary Payton, the Boston Celtics still have no idea if the nine-time All-Star will ever wear a Celtics' uniform.

Danny Ainge, director of bas ketball operations, delivered an update on Pay



every day for the Payton past week, but has not heard from Payton since making a trip to his California home Aug. 9 in an attempt to convince the disgruntled point guard to come to

"There are no updates as far as Gary's desires," Ainge said. "We're still very excited, and very hopeful, of getting Gary in a Colties uniform." Celtics uniform.

After seeing his market value drop following his worst season as a pro, Payton exercised a one-year, \$5.4 million option to stay in Los Angeles. Payton is re-portedly upset about the trade because, among other things, he has a 16-year-old daughter about to start high school and is unwilling to relocate his family.

"I wasn't going to Boston to take a physical," Payton told The Riverside Press-Enterprise last weekend, "I ain't going to move my family no more. I can't take my family to Boston. It ain't no



disrespect to Boston."

He also said he's willing to walk away from the \$5.4 million. "I don't care about that." Pavon said. "If it goes down, I'll quit. I can go on and do something else. ... Boston is going to lose out on this. They ain't going to get [nothing]. It's about respect. They (the Lakers) didn't respect me.

The trade on Aug. 6 that sent Marcus Banks, Chris Mihm, Chucky Atkins and a second-round draft choice for Pay-Rick Fox, a conditional first-round draft choice and cash had to be reworked when Payton failed to show for a physical in

Why should I respect them?

Boston by Aug. 13.

Los Angeles, which faced the threat of having Boston void the trade, sent Banks and the sec-ond-round pick back to Boston for reserve forward Jumaine Jones.

While Boston remains in limbo with Payton, the team moved forward by signing Gugliotta to a one-year contract. Terms were not disclosed, though Ainge said it is a one-year deal for less than the mid-level exemption of \$4.5

## Magic sign center Kasun

ORLANDO, Fla. - The Orlando Magic signed 7-foot-1 center Mario Kasun on Monday.

Kasun has spent the past two seasons with the Opel Skyliners in Frankfurt, Germany, averaging 9.3 points and 2.3 blocks in 27 games last season

# NHL players, owners resume negotiations

BY IRA PODELL The Associated Press

NEW YORK - With two fruitless negotiating sessions behind them and only one month left before an NHL lockout, the league and the players association were scheduled to return to the bargaining table Tuesday.

Time is running short for a new agreement to be hammered out between NHL owners and the NHLPA that would avert a lockout that threatens the season. The sides got together in New York in late July and met again two weeks later in Toronto, but little optimism emerged from those

At least the sides agreed to meet for the third time in six weeks. Not bad after just two meetings between October and

"I hope we can make substantive progress," Bill Daly, the NHL's chief legal officer, said Monday, "The time for engaging in a philosophical dialogue is

If there isn't a new deal by

Sept. 15, a lockout could cut the season in half — similar to one in the 1994-95 campaign — or cancel it completely for the first time

in NHL history We expect to come out of the meeting with a comprehensive schedule of frequent negotiating sessions and are committed to making every effort over the next 30 days to reach an agreement," Daly said.

The current deal ended the lockout nine years ago, and the agreement has been extended twice. Tuesday's session was to take place at a hotel in New Jersey near Newark Airport.

We approach each meeting prepared to discuss a fair agree-ment for both sides," NHLPA se-nior director Ted Saskin said.

The July 21 bargaining session at the NHL's Manhattan office lasted four hours and featured an exchange of six possible concepts by the league to the union for a new economic system.

When the sides convened again at union headquarters in Toronto, they talked for four hours but any optimism that might have been felt before was dulled.







Toronto Blue Jays' Carlos Delgado goes flying after colliding with Boston Red Sox's Doug Mientkiewicz (13) while trying to break up a double play in the second inning at Fenway Park in Boston on Monday. Delgado was out on the play. Mientkiewicz, a 2001 Gold Glove winner at first base, was making his first start at second base. Boston won 8-4.

# Mientkiewicz makes move to second in Red Sox win

BOSTON - Terry Franco- na's unusual tweak to Boston's lineup left the Red Sox wondering if their manager made a mistake

Former Gold Glove first baseman Doug Mientkiewicz started at second base for the first time in his career in Boston's 8-4

victory over Toronto on Monday night.

"There was definitely a double-take when we looked at the lineup," first baseman Kevin Millar said.

Francona made the move in order to load Boston's lineup with left-handed hitters, and also because of an injury to third haseman Kevin Voukilis

It had the Red Sox players joking about what other lineup changes Francona might have in store, with Millar suggesting unusu al spots for himself, star outfielder Manny Ramirez and pitcher Curt Schilling.

"I think Manny's catching, Schilling's playing left and I'm pitching tomorrow Millar said

Mientkiewicz played second for the second time since coming to the majors in 1998. The 2001 Gold Glove winner at first base for Minnesota had played second for one inning - last season

Mientkiewicz found himself right in the middle of things in the second when he was knocked to the ground by Carlos Delgado's elbow after fielding Frank Catalanotto's grounder. Delgado broke up a potential double play



"On one hand, he played the game the way it's supposed to be played," Mientkiewicz said. "It was kind of

hard. I just didn't appreciate the way he did it to me. He knows I'm not a second baseman. I wouldn't have done it that way to a guy playing his first

game at second Delgado said he was just trying to break up the play.

"He was in the baseline." Delgado said.

"I'm going to go in so he doesn't get the dou-Mientkiewicz made a backhanded pick-

up of Vernon Wells' grounder in the first, stepped on second and threw to first for an inning-ending double play. Derek Lowe (11-10) allowed four run

three earned — in seven innings for the win. The Red Sox have scored at least seven runs in 10 of Lowe's victories, getting nine or more on eight occasions.

Keith Foulke got six outs for his 20th save in 25 chances

In other AL games Monday:

Athletics 3, Orioles 1: Mark Redman (9-9) pitched eight innings of six-hit ball, and visiting Oakland used a three-run fifth inning to defeat Baltimore

Rangers 5, Indians 2: At Arlington, Texas, Brian Jordan hit a tiebreaking homer off C.C. Sabathia (9-7) in the sixth and the Rangers extended their winning streak to four games

# Ward, Jones, Pujols provide pop in wins

Daryle Ward, Albert Pujols and Chipper Jones had big nights at the plate at the ex-

pense of National League pitchers. Ward drove in six runs and fell a single short of his second cycle of the season in the Pittsburgh Pirates' 8-7, 10-inning victory over the Arizona Diamondbacks on Mon-

He went 3-for-6 in his first game off the disabled list, but struck out with the bases loaded in the 10th - failing in a bid to join

Babe Herman of the 1931 Brooklyn Dodgers as the only players to hit for the cycle twice in a season. "It was a lot harder

than the last time," said Ward, who had the cycle and six RBIs on May 26 in St. Louis. Puiols homered for the fifth time in four games and tied his career high with five RBIs, leading the St. Louis Cardinals to a

Roundup

10-5 victory over Cincinnati Pujols, 9-for-18 with 11 RBIs in the past four games despite playing through painful plantar fasciitis in his left heel, hit a three-run homer in the eighth — his major league-leading 37th of the season had two doubles. He also scored his major league-leading 100th and 101st runs, giving him 100 or more in each of his first four

major league seasons At San Diego, Jones hit his 300th career homer to lead the Braves to a 5-4 victory over the Padres. With his fifth homer in four games. Jones became the fourth player to reach 300 with the Braves — joining Hank Aaron, Eddie Mathews and Dale Murphy.

Pirates 8. Diamondbacks 7 (10): Jack Wilson's sacrifice fly off Greg Aquino (0-1) in the 10th won it for the visiting Pirates but Ward's near-cycle was the talk in Pittsburgh's clubhouse.

Ward, who tore a ligament in his right thumb June 25 at Cincinnati and wasn't reinstated until Sunday, hit a three-run triple off Brandon Webb in the fifth and gave the Pirates a 4-3 lead with a solo shot off Elmer Dessens leading off the eighth. He added a two-run double against Shane Nance in the

"He's a professional hitter," manager Lloyd McClendon said. "It's nice to have him back in the lineup."

Jose Mesa (4-1) got the win despite allowing four runs on five hits and a walk. Cardinals 10, Reds 5: At St. Louis, Puiols hit a two-run double in the first, doubled and scored on a close play in the sev-

enth, and hit a three-run homer off John Riedling in the eighth. Scott Rolen drove in two runs for the Cardinals, giving him a National League-lead-ing 104 RBIs. He had a run-scoring double



Pittsburgh Pirates' Daryle Ward fell a single short of becoming the second player to hit for the cycle twice in a season in the Pirates' 8-7 win over the Arizona Diamondbacks on Monday in Phoenix.

in the third and an RBI single in the sev-enth, and has 24 RBIs in his last 26 games. The Cardinals have won 16 of 20 and lead the NL Central by 14 games, their biggest advantage since they were 14 games in front on Sept. 3, 1968, when they won a

Braves 5, Padres 4: Jones hit a fastball off Sterling Hitchcock that bounced off the second deck of the Western Metal Supply Co. building beyond the left-field fence and gave Atlanta a 3-0 lead.

It was Jones' 20th of the season, marking the 10th straight year he's reached that mark. He also moved past Ruben Sierra of the New York Yankees into fifth place on the career homers list for switch-hitters.

J.D. Drew and Andruw Jones also homered for the Braves, who won for the ninth time in 12 games.

Marlins 4, Dodgers 2: Miguel Cabrera omered and Mike Lowell singled home the go-ahead run against reliever Darren Dreifort (1-4) in the eighth inning in Paul Lo Duca's return to Los Angeles.

Marlins starter Carl Payano (13-5) allowed two runs and six hits in 71/3 innings. and set a career high for victories.

Florida played their first game at Chavez Ravine since the July 30 trade in which Los Angeles sent Lo Duca, Juan Encarna-cion and Guillermo Mota to Florida for Brad Penny, Hee Seop Choi and minor leaguer Bill Murphy.

Giants 8, Expos 5: Pinch-hitter Ricky Ledee hit a tiebreaking single in the eighth and the homestanding Giants took the NL wild-card lead with their fifth straight win. Jason Christiansen (3-2) got the final two outs in the eighth for the win, and Ledee managed only his third hit in 21 at-bats since joining the Giants in a July 30 trade with Philadelphia.

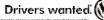


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## Monday Cardinals 10, Reds 5

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# **Phillies' Burrell** puts off surgery

PHILADELPHIA - Philadelphia Phillies slugger Pat Burrell decided to delay season-ending surgery on his injured left wrist after consulting with a hand spe-

Burrell will continue to wear a splint for at least a week, after which he'll try to hit with a spe cial brace that would limit the movement of his injured tendon, the team said Monday. Surgery still remains an option.

Burrell was examined by Dr. Thomas J. Graham at Union Me morial Hospital in Baltimore on Monday, Burrell was scheduled to have surgery on his wrist last Friday, but delayed the proce dure while he pursued a second opinion.

Burrell injured his wrist while taking batting practice July 27 before a game against San Diego. He was hitting .263 with 18 hom-ers and 68 RBIs this year.

## Boone won't return this season

ARLINGTON, Texas - In-jured Cleveland Indians third baseman Aaron Boone needs arthroscopic surgery to remove loose cartilage from his left knee and will not play this season.

Boone, who tore ligaments in

the knee last winter while playing in a pickup basketball game and had reconstructive surgery on Feb. 16, will have the half-hour operation Friday in Vail, Colo. The loose cartilage has caused swelling in the knee.

Indians trainer Lonnie Soloff said Boone, 31, should be ready to resume baseball activities in De cember

# Mariners pitchers need surgery

SEATTLE - Seattle Mariners right-hander Rafael Soriano will have exploratory surgery on Tuesday to renair a torn ligament in his elbow on pitching arm.

Dr. Lewis Yocum, the Anaheim Angels' team doctor, confirmed an abnormality that showed up on Soriano's MRI on Monday will perform the surgery in Los Angeles.

Soriano, a key part of Seattle's bullpen last season, was 0-3 with a 13.50 ERA in six games before being placed on the disabled list May 10.

Yocum also confirmed Mariners medical director Dr. Larry Pedegana's diagnosis of a torn ro tator cuff in left-handed closer Eddie Guardado's pitching shoul-

"No determination has been made on the next step in Guarda-do's recovery," General Manager Bill Bayasi said.

## NCAA rejects Bloom's bid to accept endorsements

BOULDER, Colo. The NCAA has denied Bloom's request to play football at Colorado while accepting endorsements to support his skiing

The decision, announced Tues-

## Sports briefs

day, likely means Bloom's football career is over unless the NCAA reverses the itself on appeal, university spokeswoman Lindsey Babcock.

Coach Gary Barnett said the university has appealed the deci-

"There's one avenue left for the university to pursue. We have pursued it immediately, and that's about all we can do," he said.

It was not immediately clear when the NCAA would act on the appeal.

Bloom, a world champion freestyle skier, was training with the U.S. Ski Team in Chile. Ski team officials did not immediately return a telephone message.

In a statement released by the university, Bloom said he was "shocked and saddened."

Bloom, a junior receiver and kick returner, has been battling the NCAA for more than two years over whether he can accept endorsement money as a professional skier and still keep his eligibility to play college football.

# Lightning reacquire Prospal

Vaclay Prospal is returning to the Stanley Cup champion Tampa Bay Lightning and will likely take the spot of forward Cory Stillman, who replaced him a year ago.

Prospal was acquired from the Anaheim Mighty Ducks on Monday for a second-round pick in the 2005 draft. He led the Lightning with 79 points in the 2002-03 season but then left as an unrestricted free agent.

The Lightning offered Prospal a five-year deal worth \$2.75 million per season, but Prospal passed that up in favor of Anaheim's five-year offer of \$2.5 million a season plus a \$4 million signing bonus.

Stillman was scheduled to have an arbitration hearing with the Lightning on Sunday, but team spokesman Bill Wickett told The Associated Press that Stillman and Lightning General Manager Jay Feaster worked out a deal Thursday that would have the forward receive a \$3.9 million award from an arbiter — the amount the Lightning expected he would be given following a hearing.

The Lightning decided to walk away from the award, making Stillman an unrestricted free

# MLS-leading Galaxy fire coach

CARSON, Calif. — The Los Angeles Galaxy fired coach Sigi Schmid on Monday despite leading Major League Soccer with 34 points.

Team president and general manager Doug Hamiltion said he expect to name a new coach soon.

Schmid's dismissal follows Saturday's scoreless tie against the Columbus Crew that extended Los Angeles' winless streak to

# Giants' Nen seeks to return in 2005

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO - It's approaching two years since Robb Nen pitched in the majors, but he still believes he can do it again despite his troublesome right

shoulder "I'm still doing everything I can to give myself a chance," Nen said Monday during a visit to San Francisco to see his Giants teammates. "We'll see what happens."

San Francisco's 34-year-old closer rejoined the Giants when they opened a four-game series against Montreal.

Nen was sent home to Orange County, Calif., in May to rest his shoulder for a month, then headed home again in mid-June after the team decided he needed more time to rest. Even though his shoulder wasn't hurting, the Giants didn't want to take a chance too soon with the three-time All-Star. Trainer Stan Conte hasn't established a new rehab program for Nen.

"No change." Conte said Monday of Nen's status. "He's coming

Nen does cardiovascular exer-

BY BEN BOLCH

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES - Jim Tracy

cited some statistics to support

his defense of the regularity

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league closers - as defined by

the top 10 closers in the Ameri

can and National leagues in

terms of saves - Gagne ranked

ninth in games (51) and sixth in

innings (58) before the Dodgers

played the Florida Marlins on

"So to suggest that Eric Gagne is being overworked or

overused is somewhat of a falla-

cv." the Los Angeles Dodgers

manager said Monday.

Monday at Dodger Stadium.

Among the top 20 major

Eric Gagne this season.

Tracy defends use of Gagne

light weights with his arms While he's all but said he won't pitch this season, Nen is hopeful he'll be able to give it another shot in 2005 — even if he has to earn a non-roster invite to spring training with another club

Nen is making more than \$9 million this season.

Before the Giants sent him home in May, Nen had taken 10 days off but still felt pain while playing catch several times after the short break.

Nen, who had 43 saves and a 2.20 ERA in 2002, is trying to recover from three shoulder operations that caused him to miss the entire 2003 season. He hasn't thrown off a mound since mid-Anril

Nen's rotator cuff is torn — perhaps as much as 75 percent - but surgery to completely repair it has a very low success rate, Conte said. And Nen doesn't want to go through another operation

If Nen is going to pitch again, he wants to be able to contribute at least a few times a week in relief.

"The last month has been tough with the season winding down and knowing I haven't been out there at all," he said

Gagne, who had 35 saves in

36 attempts before Tuesday, is

one of the most efficient closers,

requiring an average of 14.7 pitches an inning. Only San Di-

ego's Trevor Hoffman (14.3

pitches), Cincinnati's Danny Graves (13.2) and Atlanta's

John Smoltz (13.1) have been

Tracy acknowledged that his

use of Gagne had increased -

and would continue to increase

hold on to first place in the Na-

"Yes, he has been used a little bit more," Tracy said. "And

he'll continue to get some use in

situations where we need him to

win a game. We're trying to win

as the Dodgers attempt to

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Twins starter Johan Santana entered Tuesday with the second-lowest ERA in the American League (3.25).

# For starters, Twins are just fine

# Pitching staff gives team hope for deep postseason run

BY GORDON WITTENMYER St Paul Pioneer Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. - After more than six months of fielding questions about it, Minnesota Twins General Manager Terry Ryan last week had a question of his own.

"Why do you keep picking on our pitching staff?" he said.

Well, uh. ... Good question. The Twins would like more pitching depth for the final weeks of the season - who wouldn't?

But aside from Kyle Lohse's troubles and the occasional struggles of left-handed relievers, the Twins' pitching staff has provided far more answers than questions this year. That might be every bit as surprising a success story in baseball as the Texas Rangers' run in the American League West and the Cleveland Indians' late run into contention.

In fact, a rebuilt Twins pitching staff had the top earned-run average in the AL - a feat that would be a first for the franchise if it holds up for the rest of the season - as it prepared to face the New York Yankees for the first time this season in a three-game series that started Tuesday

With two legitimate Cy Young candidates in starter Johan Santana and closer Joe Nathan leading the way, the Twins' pitching staff not only has answered the offseason questions, but it also has made this year's Twins look like a bigger threat to contend deeper into the playoffs than they did the past two years.

The Yankees, who put on a postseason pitching clinic the last time they visited the Metrodome. could provide a sneak peek at that potential as the Twins send their top three starters — Brad Radke, Santana and Carlos Silva — against the team that knocked them out of the first round of the playoffs last October.

Kings of the hill How Minnesota's pitching ranks in the American League:

FRΔ 4.06 Save percentage ..... K/BB ratio ..... ....81 1st .2.67 1st .302 2nd 4th 3rd Hits . .1.122 731 2nd

WHIP: Walks and hits per inning. OPS: Opponents' combined on-base, slugging percentage.

'They've got the best starting pitcher in the league right now. Cleveland General Manager Mark Shapiro said. "And the best closer in the league.

He was talking about the Twins

"And Brad Radke's an all-star, and Lohse and Silva are solid," continued Shapiro, expressing ad miration for the way Ryan rebuilt despite losing three all-star starting pitchers, an all-star closer and the team's top setup reliever.

This year's younger, cheaper pitching staff is better than the one that led the franchise to the playoffs the past two years. It has fewer veterans and less depth, but the Twins have top-end quali ty in key roles like they haven't had since the World Series teams.

"Overall, it's probably the best we've been," third-year pitching coach Rick Anderson said. "The first two years, it was more about just an incredibly strong bullpen. and the starters were just OK. This is pretty much the total pack-

It starts with Santana (12-6). who has led the charge to the top of the AL with a 13-start surge in which he is 10-2 with a 1.85 ERA During the streak, he overtook Pedro Martinez for the league strikeout lead.

It finishes with the same kind

of power from Nathan, a first-year closer by necessity when the Twins couldn't land a veteran to replace Eddie Guarda do in the offseason. Nathan, who has hit 101 mph on one particularly friendly radar gun this year. has the major leagues' longest active streak of consecutive saves without blowing one (27) along with a 28-inning scoreless streak and an ERA of 0.84.

It's that kind of power, along with a veteran big-game perform er in Radke, and one of the top setup relievers in baseball this year, Juan Rincon, that makes the Twins' pitching staff appear formidable.

"You hope so," Twins manager Ron Gardenhire said.

Santana knows so "The last month, since the all-star break, we've been facing teams that are contenders," he said. "It's tough to face teams like that, but we're one of them. They have to face us.

The Twins learned the hard way what kind of pitching a playoff team needs when they got pulverized by four Vankees starters last October, each of whom pitched seven innings and combined for a 1.88 ERA in a series that ended in four games. With dominating closer Mariano Rivera capable of pitching two innings at a time, that was the pitching story of the series.

It's a different Yankees staff this season. Only Mike Mussina remains from the foursome that shut down the Twins. And he spent the past six weeks on the disabled list with an elbow injury. Of course, it's also a different

Twins pitching staff. "I'll take my chances with the pitching," Minnesota center fielder Torii Hunter said, "I like our

"We're ready for them." Santana said. "It's time for us to show them we can face those guys, too, and we can beat them.'

chances?





American Ron Siler, left, from Cincinnati, Ohio, throws a left at Austrain's Bradley Hore during the flyweight boxing preliminaries on Tuesday in Athens. Siler won the bout, improving the U.S. team's record to 4-0.

# **U.S.** ends drought in men's volleyball

ed States couldn't afford another loss in its ultra-competitive men's volleyball pool, and Clay Stanley made sure it didn't happen.

Stanley scored 21 points and fellow rookie Reid Priddy added nine kills Tuesday to lead the Americans to a crucial sweep Netherlands, 26-24, 25-20

25 - 18The U.S. ended a nine-match Olympic losing streak in the pro cess, a skid that dated back to the

Atlanta Games in 1996. "We finally got one." outside hitter Kevin Barnett yelled as he left

With Russia and Brazil left on their preliminary schedule, this

was an important win. "I think we have probably one of the hardest pools ever put together in Olympic history," American captain Lloy Ball said.

## Federer crashes out: Williams completes shutout

ATHENS, Greece - The No. 1 men's tennis player, Roger Federer of Switzerland, crashed out of the Olympics Tuesday, losing to the Czech Republic's Tomas Berdych 4-6, 7-5, 7-5

In the biggest success of his ca reer, the 18-year-old Berdych who has never won a singles title on the ATP tour, came back from a set down to break the Wimble don champion's serve in two successive sets

Federer had been heavily favored to reach the final.

A day after failing in her bid for a second straight doubles gold medal, Venus Williams beat Maja Matevzic of Slovenia 6-0, 6-0 to reach the third round in singles where she's also the defending champion. It's the first shutout since ten-

nis returned to the Olympics as a medal sport in 1988.

## Flyweight Siler runs USA's record to 4-0

ATHENS, Greece - American Ron Siler opened his quest for a



with a convincing 32-18 decision over Australia's Bradley Hore in a

first-round flyweight fight. With his father and the mother he has rarely seen cheering in the stands, Siler used his quickness to overcome a slow start and wear down Hore in the third and fourth

rounds to win the decision. The win kept American boxers undefeated in the Olympics, but

to Siler it was only a start. "My expectations are gold," he said. "Anything else is not an op-

Cuban and Russian boxers remained undefeated, too. Both are 6-0 in the first round, though that will change Wednesday when Cuba's Odlanier Solis meets Alexander Alekseev of Russia in a rematch of the heavyweight final of the 2003 world championships.

# Gasol, Spain top Argentina

ATHENS, Greece - The Memphis Grizzlies' Pau Gasol had 26 points and eight rebounds Tuesday night to lead Spain to an 87-76 victory over Argentina.

After just two games, Spain is the only unbeaten team in the tougher of the two pools in the

men's basketball tournament Luis Scola had 28 points for Argentina (1-1), while Manu Ginobili, the hero of the opening victo-

# ry over Serbia-Montenegro, had Americans snag second win in men's water polo

ATHENS, Greece - Wolf Wigo scored four goals as the United States rallied for a 9-6 victory over Kazakhstan.

The Americans improved to 2-0, including a last-second 7-6 win over Croatia in their opener.

Sergev Drozdov scored three goals, twice giving Kazakhstan the lead in the first period and then adding a third as the game wound down

# Tuesday's scores

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4. Paulina Barzycka, Poland, 1:58.62.
5. Franziska van Almsick, Germany, 1:58.88.
6. Dana Vollmer, Fort Worth, Texas, 1:58.98.
7. Pang Jiaying, China, 1:59.16.
8. Josefin Lillhäge, Sweden, 1:59.20.
200 Individual Medley

1. Yana Klochkova, Ukraine, 2:11.14.
2. Amanda Beard, Irvine, Calif., 2:11.70.
3. Kirsty Coventry, 2:mbabwe, 2:12.72.
5. Téresa Rohmann, Germany, 2:13.70.
6. Lara Carroll, Australia, 2:13.74.
7. Kathryn Hoff, Abingdon, Md., 2:13.87.
8. Beatrice Nicoleta Caslaru, Romai 2:15.40.











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# Zagunis, Jacobson win medals in fencing

BY DAVID MORDKOFF The Associated Press

ATHENS, Greece - American Mariel Zagunis won the sabre competition Tuesday while Marcel Fischer of Switzerland took gold in the men's epee in the Olympic fencing competition.

Zagunis beat Tan Xue of China 15-9 as the United States took its first fencing medals in 20 years. American Sada Jacobson won the bronze, beating Catalina Gheorghitoaia of Romania 15-7

Fischer beat Wang Lei of China 15-9 in the gold medal final while Pavel Kolobkov of Russia captured bronze with a 15-8 win over Eric Boisse of France.

The United States had never won a medal in women's fencing. The last American medal in the sport was in Los Angeles in 1984, when Peter Westhrook won the bronze in men's saber.

Tan beat Jacobson 15-12 in one semifinal, and Zagunis beat Gheorghitoaia 15-10 in the other.

Jacobson is ranked No. 1 in the world, and Zagunis is ranked fourth. Tan is No. 5.

In the quarterfinals, Jacobson beat Leonore Perrus of France 15-11. Perrus knocked out Sada's sister, Emily, 15-13 in the round of 16, preventing the sisters from playing each other.

"I don't like anyone beating up on my little sister," Sada said with a smile after her victory. Zagunis, of Beaverton, Ore., de-

feated Elena Jemaveva of Azerbaijan 15-11 to advance to the

Women's sabre is the newest of fencing's six disciplines and is making its first appearance in the Olympics. The first world championship in women's sabre was held in 1999

Saber is the fastest of fencing's three weapons. The target area is the entire body above the bend in the hins, including the head Unlike in foil and epee, sabre

fencers can score with either the tip or the edge of the blade.

Fischer said his mind and body were not in synch.

"Psychologically I was feeling very well," said Fischer. "But my legs were very tired and only when I got the 14th point I knew that the gold medal was mine."

# Phelps strikes gold twice more Tuesday

U.S. teen wins 200 butterfly, leads off thrilling win in 800 free relay

The Associated Press

was a duel in the pool - the world's two greatest swimming powers going head-to-head for Olympics.

And it all came down to Klete Keller holding off Ian Thorpe and finishing off the Australians with a lunge for the wall that gave the Americans a gold medal in the 800-meter freestyle relay.

By 13-hundredths of a second With Michael Phelps leading Tuesday night, the United States bested its rival from Down Under in the most thrilling race of the Athens Games Phelns earned his third gold medal of the Olympics, having won the 200-meter butterfly about an hour earlier.

The 19-year-old started things right for the Americans in the relay, building about a one-second lead, but this one will be remembered for Keller's gutsy swim against Thorne that sent 10.000 fans into an uproar.

This race will go down as one of the greatest in history," said Phelps, who helped the Americans avenge the loss to Australia four years ago in Sydney. "I was 'Come on, Klete! Hold on! Hold on!' I knew Klete would come through. His swim was the reason why we won that relay. He held off the fastest 200 freestyler in history.

Phelps and the other U.S. swimmers Ryan Lochte and Peter Vanderkaay, hopped up and down on the deck as Keller dug

When he touched first - his hand just ahead of Thorpe's -Phelps showed more emotion than he has at the entire Olympics. The teenager threw up his arms and screamed "Yeaaahh!" toward the jubilant American contingent in the stands.

"I don't think I've ever celebrated like that in my entire life," Phelps said. "They've owned that race for so long.

Keller pulled himself out of the water and joined his teammates in a raucous hug. A dejected Thor-

# Swimming

ne walked over and shook hands

"It hurt like hell," Keller said. "I could see [Thorpe] coming up But when I was breathing, I saw my team going crazy — and that really kept me going.

A night earlier, the 200 free-style — a duel between Phelps, Thorpe and Pieter van den Hoogenband — was touted as the most anticipated race of the Olympics. It was the only head-to-head individual race between Phelps and Thorne but the American finished a distant third.

For pure drama, it didn't come close to matching up to this one. Phelos led off against Aussie

star Grant Hackett; Thorpe adorned in black from head to toe - finished up with his furious pursuit of Keller. It was the second-closest 800 relay in Olympic history, topped only by the Americans' margin of four-hundredths of a second over West Germany at the 1984 Games. Coincidentally, the U.S. coaches showed their team a tane of that race before hand, hoping to buttress the im-

portance of finishing strong. It must have worked. The Thorpedo came up short, the Americans winning with a time of 7 minutes, 7.33 seconds. The Austra-lians settled for silver in 7:07.46, while the Italians were more than four seconds back in third

"I tried to put my head down," Thorpe said. "It was a good last 50 for me and a great one for Klete. Unfortunately. I didn't quite get there.

In the 200 butterfly, Phelps held off Takashi Yamamoto to win in an Olympic-record 1:54 01 The hard-charging Japanese swimmer took silver (1:54.56), while Britain's Stephen Parry won bronze (1:55,22).

Halfway through the eight-day swimming meet, Phelps has thre gold and two bronze medals. He had hoped to challenge Spitz's record of seven gold medals from the 1972 Munich Games, but that effort ended with third-place finishes in the 400 free relay and 200



U.S. swimmer Michael Phelps reacts after his team won the 800-meter freestyle relay at the **Olympic Aquatic Centre in Athens** on Tuesday. The U.S. finished 13 hundredths of a second ahead of

Thorne is having another superb Olympics, with three gold medals and one silver.

Australia in the relay.

The Americans added to their medal haul when Amanda Beard took silver in the 200 individual medley. The three-time Olympian earned the fifth medal of her career behind Ukraine's Yana Klochkova, who defended the title she won in Sydney with a time of 2:11.14.

Beard made her winning move during the breaststroke portion and finished in 2:11.70. Kirsty Coventry of Zimbabwe earned bronze, her second medal of the

"I'm not a great freestyler," Beard said. "If I didn't have my breaststroke leg, I wouldn't be

Camelia Potec of Romania won gold in the 200 free, coming from

Federica Pellegrini, a 16-year-old Italian. Solenne Figues of France took bronze, while American Dana Vollmer was sixth, just behind world-record holder Franziska van Almsick.

The Americans' relay win was a much-needed salve after the disappointment of managing only a bronze in the 400 free relay, won the South Africans in world-record time two nights ear-

Phelps gave the Americans a 1.01-second advantage against Hackett. Lochte stretched lead a little more against Michael Klim, and Vanderkaay — with the best 200 of his life — handed off a 1.48-second cushion with his swim against Nicholas Sprenger.

The Aussies held Thorpe for the anchor leg, and he quickly closed in on Keller. The Thorpe do knocked off nearly a second through the first 100, and made the turn for home virtually even with the American.

But Keller had a little more in reserve than Thorpe, who swam the 100 freestyle semifinals earlier in the evening. That proved to be the difference

'I'm not saving Ian died, but I had enough of a lead to hold on,' said Keller, who won the first gold medal of his career.

'We all train to race against the best in the world every day, and we learn not to let that psyche you out. The U.S. and Australia bring the best out of each other. I love racing them."

Two-time Olympic champion Alexander Popov was knocked out in the 100 freestyle semifiwhile neither American got that far

Stunningly, Jason Lezak and Ian Crocker were eliminated in the morning preliminaries, both swimming much slower than they did at the American trials.

Popov is gone, too. A winner in Barcelona and Atlanta and silver medalist in Sydney, the 32-year-old Russian won't add to

his 100 total at these Games. Van den Hoogenband, the de fending Olympic champion, did advance to Wednesday's final. So did Thorpe, who nudged out Popov for the final spot.

# U.S. kayaker Giddens advances to semifinals

ATHENS, Greece - Former

whitewater kayaking world champion Rebecca Giddens used a clean first run through the first-ever Olympic saltwater course Tuesday to advance to the single kayak semifinals.

"For the most part, I paddled well, but I have some things to go home and think about to get ready for tomorrow," said Gid-dens, who picked up a couple of two-second penalties on her second run for hitting gates. "This year, I didn't focus on World Cuns My main focus was to come

here and comnete in the Games and be prepared for this. Giddens now moves into a

15-boat semifinal field on Wednesday, with the top 10 boats getting into the finals later that day

Jennifer Bongardt of Germany was the leader on first day.

Two-time defending gold medalist Stepanka Hilgertova of the Czech Republic finished in 11th

Giddens, of Green Bay, Wis., raced in the 2000 Sydney Games but finished out of the medals She was the world champion in

The new man-made rapid at the Helliniko Complex has been praised for the biggest, fastest whitewater of any Olympic course, and it was rough on American single canoe racer Chris Ennis. He flipped and missed a gate, a 50-second penalty, knock-

ing him out of contention. 'I started out great and was paddling as well as I ever have," said Ennis, of Bryson City, N.C. "I chose a bad line coming out of gate 14, and I suffered for it."

Michal Martikan of Slovakia. who won gold in 1996 and silver in 2000, finished the preliminary round in first place



Rebecca Giddens competes in the K1 women's kayak single catego-ry on Tuesday in Athens. Greece.

# American softball team still on a roll

BY TOM WITHERS The Associated Press

ATHENS, Greece - Lori Harrigan twirled her index finger like a conductor's baton, leading the American fans' serenade.

"H-A-Double-R-I," they bellowed as she headed for the team bus, "G-A-N, spells Harrigan,"

It's a familiar tune So was the U.S. softball team's latest victory.

Harrigan, a two-time Olympic gold medalist, pitched a one-hit ter and Crystl Bustos broke out of her Grecian slump with a home run Tuesday in a 4-0 victory over China, the Americans' fourth straight shutout.

The United States is lining up zeros like Olympic rings.

Lovieanne Jung had two RBIs and Leah O'Brien-Amico hit a run-scoring double as the Americans extended their winning streak to 74 games and improved their international record against China to 10-1

The United States, which has outscored its opponents 24-0 in the preliminary round, has 14 shutouts in 23 games since softball joined the Olympics in 1996.

"Numbers mean nothing to us right now," said coach Mike Candrea. "There's a long way to go."

A security supervisor at the Bellagio Hotel when she's not blowing pitches by hitters or talking trash to Olympic teammate Le-Bron James, Harrigan struck out eight as the Americans (4-0) coasted.

Harrigan's relief outing in the tournament opener against Italy (three hits, 11/3innings) was one of the few moments when the U.S. team has shown any cracks on the Saronikos Coast. The 33-year-old atoned for that performance with a dominant one

"She had her full arsenal," said catcher Jenny Topping, who added two hits. "She couldn't miss with a pitch."

Harrigan dispensed her full repertoire — fastball, curveball, screwball, drop and rise - on the overmatched Chinese (2-2), who put only two runners on base against the 6-foot-1 left-hander nicknamed "Vegas.

She was dealing.

"I felt a lot better today," the former All-American at UNLV said. "I had all my pitches working. I was trying to be too perfect the other day." Harrigan mightnot get the pub-

licity of the other U.S. pitchers: Jennie Finch, Lisa Fernandez or even Cat Osterman, the 21-year-old lefty who one-hit Japan on Monday. But as one of the mainstays for the U.S. program for the past decade, Harrigan gets plenty of love from her teammates

"She's the one that keeps us to-



Stacey Nuveman, left, and Leah Amico, right, celebrate the Americans' 4-0 victory Tuesday over China. The U.S. team has won all four of its games by shutout.

gether," said Finch. "Lori's our team mom. If your shirt is not tucked in, she'll tell you about it. She's a fighter, too. No one's tougher than Lori."

Except for maybe Bustos

Considered the world's best power hitter, connected for her first homer of the Games in the fifth inning to put the United States ahead 4-0. The stout Californian had been 1-for-10 before pulling a pitch from Li Qi over the 220-foot wall in left. As she left the batter's box, Bustos did a Sammy Sosa-like hop.

"That was awesome," Bustos said. "I've been struggling."

Candrea knew it wouldn't last. "If she's 0-for-8, you had better look out," he said. "When Crystl gets confident, you can't get her

Harrigan dominated from the start. After allowing Mu Xia to reach on a leadoff hunt in the first, she struck out the side and retired the next 16. Only one other Chinese hitter reached, when Harrigan threw away a

comebacker in the sixth. She finished the shutout by striking out Tao Hua.

"You could tell she wanted that one "Finch said

It was nothing new for Shan Mc-Donald, who has seen Harrigan make countless hitters look silly.

Now China's coach, McDonald coached Harrigan in college. She recalled how as an 18-year-old. Harrigan simply reared back and fired from the circle. She can still bring the heat when she needs to, but Harrigan is much more selec tive with her pitches - more Greg Maddux than Randy

Johnson.

"She's just a much more ma-ture pitcher." McDonald said. raising her voice to make sure Harrigan would hear as she walked past on the way to the locker room, "She's a far better pitcher now than she was back

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# **U.S.** women tie Aussies in soccer

THESSALONIKI, Greece - The U.S. women's soccer team only needed a tie Tuesday and that's all - settling for a draw against a team it had always beaten

The Americans tied Australia 1-1, ending a perfect record against the Matildas that lasted 17 years. But the result was good enough to clinch first-place in the U.S. group, setting up a against

quarterfinal match Japan on Friday.

This team never likes to tie or lose," said captain Julie Foudy, who assisted on the U.S. goal but was the culprit on defense when Australia answered. "It's disappointing in that sense, but we're moving on to the quarterfinals. We're first in our group. We'll put some things together and make sure for the quarters we play two halves.

The mixed feelings were reflected throughout the locker room and in the words of coach April Heinrichs, who said she was dissatisfied that her team lost control of the game in the second half. The coach wants to see more hite now that do or die time has arrived.

"I'm optimistic that in the knockout phase we'll play with a little less caution," Heinrichs said. "And a little more aggressive mentality."

It will help that one of the team's most aggressive players, Abby Wambach, will return for the quarterfinals after serving a one-game suspension for rough play. Wambach has scored 16 goals in her past 17 games, and replacement Cindy Parlow wasn't able to command the same attention or finish

constantly double-teamed

"I couldn't hit the broad side of the barn today." Parlow said.

The Americans dominated the first half, taking the lead on Kristine Lilly's goal in the 19th minute. Australia initially played with just one forward and didn't have a shot on goal in the first 60 minutes, but the game changed when coach Adrian Santrac inserted a second attacker in the 62nd minute

The Australians pressured constantly the rest of the game, and the Americans couldn't adjust. The result was Joanne Peters' tying goal in the 82nd minute, achieving a result that broke a 15-game Aussie losing streak to the United States dating to the

teams' first meeting in 1987 "To achieve this result is incredible," Santrac said. "It gives credibility to the game in Austra-

... Australia qualified for the quarterfinals with the tie, al-though they would have advanced anyway because of Brazil's win over Greece. The Matildas will play World Cup runner-up Sweden on Friday. The Americans had already

clinched a spot in the quarterfi nals with 3-0 and 2-0 wins over Greece and Brazil, but their first-place finish guarantees they will avoid an extra road

trip. They will stay in Thessaloniki to prepare for Japan, which will enter the game with five days' rest in a format that had some teams playing fewer first-round games than others.

"They'll be rusty," Foudy said. "You know, like the Lakers, they take five days off and don't know what to do with themselves."

# Celebration turns tragic in Thailand

U.S. forward Mia Hamm, left, tries to

get the ball from Australia's Dianne

Alagich during Tuesday's 1-1 tie.

BANGKOK, Thailand - A celebration for the first Thai woman to win an Olympic gold medal turned tragic Tuesday when a man was shot to death at the home of the parents of weightlifter Udomporn Polsak.

Polsak's parents had been hosting about 500 people at their home in the northeastern Nakhon Ratchasima province to celebrate their daughter's victory Sunday in the 117-pound class

During the celebration, police said, a drunken teenager named Worayuth Wonsantai fatally shot another guest, a 21-year-old man Olympic briefs

known as Boy Jonkoh, who was described as a relative of Polsak. Police Capt, Chalermsak Chainarongsak said he didn't know the exact circumstances

Greek sprinters Kenteris, Thanou leave hospital

ATHENS, Greece - Sprinter Kostas Kenteris declared himself innocent as he left a hospital Tuesday, facing questions from prosecutors, fellow Greeks and the IOC about his missed drug test and motorcycle accident.

"I am suffering a great injustice, and I want to say I never used banned substances," Kenteris said as he got into a car and was driven away by a friend.

Sprinter Katerina Thanou, his training partner, left a short time later, declining to discuss their case until the International Olympic Committee rules on it.

The sprinters have a hearing Wednesday with an IOC disciplinary committee, which wants to know why they missed drug tests in the Olympic village Thursday.

A few hours later, they were taken to a hospital with cuts and bruises suffered when their motorcycle skidded on a road.



# **U.S.** golden girls settle for silver Sprinter Edwards.

# Heralded Americans falter, finish second to Romania

By NANCY ARMOUR The Associated Pres-

ATHENS. Greece - The mistakes were so minor. Carly Patterson's foot scraping the lower of the uneven bars. Courtney Kupets' tumbling pass that ended here instead of there Mohini Bhardwaj's slight stumble on the

They're the kind of errors only judges see, little things that seem inconsequential. But those mistakes add up, and they cost the gymnastics team a gold medal

The Americans settled for silver Tuesday night, done in as much by their own sloppiness as Romania's sheer superiority. Their errors in every event cost them valuable fractions of points. They finished with 113,584, just behind the Romanians, who won their second straight gold medal. Russia won the bronze.

Silver is nothing to be ashamed of of course The U.S. men won one Monday night and were positively giddy. And it's far better than leaving empty-handed, which the U.S. women did in Svdney for the first time since 1976.

But these women are world champions, winners of every international meet they've entered since 2002 and perhaps the best team the United States has ever put on the floor. This was supposed to be their coronation

"We made small mistakes," said renowned coach Bela Karolvi, a native Romanian whose wife Martha is the U.S. team coor-

"Small mistakes are to be paid for. And we paid."

The Americans knew it After Patterson closed out the team's night with a saucy, sassy floor routine that had the Olympic Indoor Hall rocking, she and her teammates sat somberly on the sideline as the Romanians took the

The team which finished secand to the United States in last summer's world championships. needed to average only 9.35 points per routine to catch the Americans. Easily done.



Romania's Catalina Ponor hugs a teammate after they won the gold medal Tuesday in Athens.

Daniela Sofronie soared above the floor on her tumbling passes, flying so high fans sitting in the first few rows had to look up to see her

Catalina Ponor, the final Roma nian brought the crowd to its feet with one of the finest routines of the night. Technically perfect, she stuck her landings with sureness and confidence. Her teammates were already hugging each other and crying when her music stopped, and Ponor sprinted off the mat with a grin on her face.

Even Karolyi had to applaud.

The Americans, meanwhile, sat glumly in their seats. A few clapped. Most simply stared ahead, perhaps thinking about all the wasted opportunities.

They started strong, fixing problems they'd had on vault in the preliminaries. Then they moved to their best event, the uneven bars

But Patterson, normally at her best under pressure, faltered.

Flying from the low bar, she landed too close to the high har and hit it at a dead stop. With no momentum at all, she had to muscle her way up to a handstand, but it was slow and looked awkward. With her rhythm off, she clipped the low bar on her next swing around, and even the crowd winced.

Terin Humphrey and Kupets, however, bailed her out. Kupets, the world champion on bars in



U.S. gymnast Carly Patterson competes on the balance beam during the women's team final in Athens. Greece on Tuesday.

2002, flits and flies with the ease of a bird. When she hit the mat with a solid thud, she arched her back, puffed out her chest and grinned. Her score of 9.662 lifted the Americans into first place.

But then came the balance beam — Romania's best event. The Americans started in a hole when Kupets was pulled out of the lineup with a sore right leg.

Bhardwaj replaced her, and gave a clutch performance on short notice. She landed three straight back handsprings as if she was on flat ground. And she did a back aerial somersault from a standing position easier than most people can do a cartwheel. Her dismount was nearly perfect.

But she made several slight errors, including cutting out one move after wobbling on the landing of a somersault, and they were reflected in her 9.4 score.

That dropped the Americans behind the Romanians heading into the final rotation. They still had a chance to win gold, but quickly gave it away.

Prancing and dancing to an in fectious percussive beat, Kupets was clearly having fun, until it simple dance move. Spinning in place, Kupets lost her balance and stumbled out of the pirouette. The crowd gasped, her smile disappeared. Such a little error, such a big

# appeal is denied

BY STEPHEN WILSON The Associated Press

ATHENS, Greece sprinter Torri Edwards was knocked out of the Olympics for good Tuesday when an arbitration panel upheld her two-year drug suspension, rejecting her ar guments that she took a banned stimulant by accident.

Edwards had been considered a medal contender in the 100 and 200 meters at the Athens Games. She inherited the world championship in the 100 when Kelli White forfeited that crown because of drug use.

She tested positive for nikethamide at a meet in Martinique on April 24, but blamed the result on a glucose supplement she took because she wasn't feeling well. She said her physician bought the glucose at a store on the Caribbean island, and that she was unaware it contained any banned substanc-

The international Court of Arbitration for Sport ruled Tuesday, one day after it held a 51/2-hour hearing at which Edwards spoke on her own behalf. The ruling is

At the U.S. Olympic trials, Edwards finished second in the 100 in 11.02 seconds, and third in the 200 in 22.39. Her spot in the 100 will go to Gail Devers, who finished fourth at the trials. Her spot in the 200 will go to LaShaunte'a Moore.

Edwards' suspension was announced last Wednesday by the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency.

A U.S. arbitration panel that first heard the case said there might have been "exceptional cir-cumstances." But an International Association of Athletics Federations doping review board rejected that argument, relying on the "strict liability" standard that declares athletes responsible for any banned substances found in

The IAAF said it was "very pleased" that the CAS panel had accepted the ruling of its doping review board.

## Iliadis gives hosts some joy with gold in judo; Japan adds fourth gold in event Maktoum of the United Arab Emirates tied 50-meter

The Associated Press

ATHENS, Greece - Ilias Iliadis of Greece thrilled the home crowd Tuesday, beating Roman Gontyuk of Ukraine to win the gold medal in the 81-kilogram class in

Dmitri Nossov of Russia and Flavio Canto of Brazil shared the bronze.

Florian Wanner of Germany, last year's world champion, lost to Gontyuk in the quarterfinals, Sergei Aschwanden of Swit zerland, the runner-up at the world championships, lost to Argentina's Ariel Sganga in the round of 32

roundup

Japan's Ayumi Tanimoto beat Claudia Heill of Austria to win the women's 63-kilogram division. Japan has won four gold medals and a silver in the first eight judo

events Driulys Gonzalez Morales of Cuba and

Urska Zolnir of Slovenia shared the

# Shooting

Men's double trap: Sheikh Ahmed Al

an Olympic record Tuesday, winning the gold medal in double trap shooting. Al Maktoum scored 189 points, match-

ing the total that Mark Russell of Australia reached in Sydney in 2000. The 40-year-old Al Maktoum had the rest of the field playing for silver in the final round. finishing 10 shots ahead of Rajyavardhan Rathore of India.

Wang Zheng of China won the bronze with a 178. Americans Glenn Eller, the world cham-

pion, and Sgt. 1st Class Brett Erickson failed to qualify for the finals.

Nestruev of Russia won the title, rebounding from a final-shot loss in the 10-meter air pistol, which prevented him from becoming a double gold medalist.

Nestruev won with a score of 663.3. Jin Jong-oh of South Korea finished at 661.5, and Kim Jong Su of North Korea won the bronze with a 657.7

World champion Tan Zongliang of China finished tied for 10th and missed the final round. American Sgt. 1st Class Daryl Szarenski also failed to qualify for the finals, finishing tied for 15th in qualifications.

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# **Greeks push U.S. to limit**

# Suddenly vulnerable Americans win squeaker

BY CHRIS SHERIDAN The Associated Press

ATHENS, Greece - Tim Duncan had fouled out, Allen Iverson was playing with a broken thumb, and Greece had a chance to pull within two points with 18 seconds

Lamar Odom defended the play perfectly for the Americans, keeping his hand high and preventing Dimitris Pipanikoulaou from getting a clean layup attempt. Odom, playing despite severe dehydration, rebounded the miss and made two free throws to lock up the U.S. team's 77-71 victory Tuesday night in its second game of the Olympics.

In a much closer contest than expected, the Americans bounced back from their embarrassing loss to Puerto Rico in their opener and avoided dropping to 0-2, which would have matched their loss total from the previous 68 years.

The U.S. team got the win be-cause of big plays from Odom and Carlos Boozer down the stretch after Duncan fouled out and Iverson cooled off following a strong

The game was a spectacle in many ways, from the Greek fans waving blue and white flags to U.S. coach Larry Brown angrily gesturing at the referees. A close game such as this was rare in previous Olympics, but now it appears to be something the Americans should get used to.

Iverson scored 17 points, 13 in the first half, and Duncan had 13 of his 14 points in a third quarter in which he picked up three fouls, setting the stage for a tight fourth quarter.

It was 64-61 when Duncan returned with 5:46 left, and 67-63 when he fouled out about two minutes later on a questionable loose-ball foul call that left him staring in disbelief and Brown pointing in anger at the official.

Odom and Stephon Marbury scored inside to give the Americans some breathing room, though a drive by Antonis Fotsis made it a four-point game with 1:10 left.

Boozer then came up with the Americans' biggest field goal of the night, rebounding Shawn Marion's missed three-pointer from the corner and banking it in for a 74-68 lead.

A three-pointer by Greece made it 75-71, and Boozer missed a pair of free throws and gave Greece a chance to get within two. But Odom wouldn't let it happen. and a turnover by Greece after Odom's free throws with 15.5 seconds left ended the suspense

Iverson scored nine of the



Greece's Antonios Fotsis takes a shot over LeBron James (9) and Stephone Marbury (5) of the United States during Tuesday's Olympic preliminary game in Athens. Greece, The United States won 77-71.

Americans' 18 points in the first quarter, but Greece kept it close by collapsing two defenders on Duncan to keep him from attempting even a single shot

LeBron James had three fast-break dunks in the first five minutes of the second quarter as part of a 10-2 run that put the Americans ahead 29-19. James added a short bank shot on another fast break to get the lead up to 12, but Brown removed him in favor of Iverson moments later, and Greece scored the next six points and trailed just 37-31 at the

Duncan did not attempt a field

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goal until 80 seconds had elapsed in the third quarter, and he picked up his second and third fouls in the first 21/2 minutes of the second half as Greece came back and took a 40-39 lead.

Greece had a run of eight unan swered points to pull to 62-61 with 6:20 left.

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